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Preparing Programme Of Action

NO WHITTLING DOWN OF DELHI DECISION

Gandhi-Viceroy Parley Prospects

Congress May Depute Mahatma If Invited

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

NO decision could be taken to-night in the Congress Working Committee regarding its pronouncement on the office acceptance issue.

Considerable controversy centered on the wording of the resolution to be finally adopted and no agreement could be reached. It is felt that the resolution explaining Congress attitude requires skilful and careful drafting so as to incorporate Mahatma Gandhi's meaning of his resolution correctly.

That the Committee is faced with a cleavage of opinion appears clear and the different viewpoints have to be reconciled.

TOWARDS MASS ACTION?

Congress Cabinet On Future Plan

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

The Working Committee which had nearly 12 hours' sitting to-day adjourned at 9-30 p.m. once again without adopting any resolution dealing with the political 'impasse.' The Committee meets again at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

It is understood that the Committee has finished considering the official pronouncements made ever since the deadlock ensued, by the authorities in India and in England including Mr. Butler's latest pronouncement in the House of Commons yesterday and decided with one or two dissentients to put on record its considered opinion that none of these official pronouncements could be deemed to contain the kind of assurance which Mahatma Gandhi had in view.

"INSOLENTLY" WORDED

As a matter of fact the Committee is reported to have characterised some parts of Mr. Butler's and Lord Zetland's speeches as "insolently" worded. In this view of the matter it is understood that there is no question of the Congress attitude already taken in terms of the A. I. C. C. resolution being whittled down.

PROGRAMME OF ACTION.

Having disposed of this part of the question, the Working Committee is understood to have devoted the post-prayer sitting tonight to the formulation of a suitable programme of action for the Congress Parties in the Assemblies to follow. Although no definite programme has so far been chalked out, it is understood that it will be done with an eye to the possibility of another mass movement being launched in the not distant future and on a bigger scale than even the historic Dandhi March under the direction of Mahatma Gandhi.— United Press.

GANDHI-VICEROY PARLEYS

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

A prominent Congress leader interviewed, said that even if Mahatma Gandhi's explanations are ratified by the Committee, it will make no real difference in the resolution passed in Delhi as, even at Delhi, it was not contemplated to abrogate the special powers of the Governors under the Act.

Left Wing Congress leaders are somewhat apprehensive of this move lest it might be treated by Government as a climbdown.

Interesting developments are expected and it is even surmised in some quarters that Gandhiji may be authorised to see the Viceroy of the latter summons him.

NO QUESTION OF SURRENDER

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

"Everything is in the melting pot," declared Dr. Gopichand interviewed to-night. He said that there was no difference between Mahatma Gandhi and the Working Committee. He did not think there was any necessity of the Working Committee offering any explanation of the Delhi resolution unless Government demanded such elucidation or explanation.

He thought the Committee might express its opinion on Lord Zetland and Lord Lothian's statements and may express its opinion on the constitutional issue. Dr. Gopichand thought that it was for Government to make a move.

Another Congress leader remarked that there is going to be no surrender. Gandhiji will have peace on his own terms.

NO WATERING DOWN OF DELHI DECISION

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

The important development is reported to have occurred in the meeting of the Congress Working Committee this afternoon. It is stated that Mahatma Gandhi recommended certain important explanations to the Delhi resolution an office acceptance which would authoritatively clear the meaning, scope and extent of the resolution and if accepted by the Working Committee would constitute a big step forward towards the clarification of the issue and rapprochement between the Congress and Government.

Left Wing Congress leaders, it is stated, do not agree with Mahatma Gandhi's suggestion which, in their view, would considerably water down the Delhi resolution. It is stated that an attempt is being made to make clear beyond doubt that the Congress is prepared to stand by the verdict of the electorate in all matters of importance, should the Governor disagree with the Congress Ministry on any important issue. In effect the Congress leaders appear to have agreed to Lord Lothian's dictum in this respect.

BUTLER'S STATEMENT WIDENS GULF

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

The Congress Working Committee re-assembled at Anand

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DEMAND FOR INQUIRY

There Was No Justification For Alwar Firing, Hold Hindu Sabha Officials

NEW DELHI, April 27.

Messrs. Ganpatrai and B. Banerji, the Hindu Mahasabha officials, who visited Behror village in Alwar State in connection with the recent firing there, have issued a lengthy statement narrating the events which they claim to be based on a "thorough and impartial" inquiry leading up to the firing by the police on the Hindu mob. They severely criticise the methods adopted by State officials to deal with the situation and suggest a judicial inquiry into their conduct.

They maintain that there was no justification for the firing.—A.P.

CHAMBERLAIN ON GROWTH OF PROFITS TAX

LONDON, April 27.

In the Commons debate on the budget resolutions, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, speaking on the National Defence Contribution (Growth of Profits Tax) resolution, said that he was convinced that the outline of the scheme was right. He had no intention of withdrawing the proposals. The part of the proposals not yet formulated was sufficiently important to justify him saying that no accurate or sufficient judgment could be formed thereon until the House and country had fuller information. He regarded the proposal as mild and moderate and did not think it would impose an intolerable burden on industry. He regarded estimates of the yield of the tax ranging from 50 to 250 millions as fantastic and intimated that he was prepared to consider the profits standard based on average profits of the three years 1933-35.—Reuter.

MORE FUNDS FOR U. S. ARMY

WASHINGTON, April 27.

An appropriation of 416,413,000 dollars for the army next year, or 25,037,000 more than available in the current year, is recommended by the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, which issued a warning that "unless there was to be an appreciably larger allocation for the military arm in future budgets, our defence preparations will very largely consist of manpower unequipped, unimplemented and virtually unprepared to offer resistance to any force equipped with modern offensive weapons."

The Committee reported shortage of tanks, armoured cars, semi-automatic rifles, anti-aircraft guns, ammunition and motors, and approved of a new mobilisation plan providing war time infantry divisions of 13,000 men instead of 22,000 as a present, which "will result in a very considerable reduction in War Reserve requirements".

The appropriation is 358,000 dollars less than the budget estimate.—Reuter.

ALTERATIONS IN 2,000 GUINEAS

LONDON, April 27.

Following are the alterations in Two Thousand Guineas probables:—

Harry Wragg Rides "Sultan Mahomed", Sam Wragg "Senior" Jones "Sands Sprite."—Reuter.

Black Flags For Jamnadas

DEMONSTRATION LEADER ARRESTED AND RELEASED.

Railway Refuses To Issue Platform Tickets; But Public Outwit Them?

AHMEDNAGAR: April 27.

A crowd of about 1,000 demonstrated with black flags at Ahmednagar Railway station when Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, the Finance Minister of the Bombay Government, arrived there this morning.

Platform tickets were refused to the crowd. So they all bought tickets to the next station and thus gained admittance in time to shout hostile slogans as Mr. Mehta's train steamed in.

Mr. T. H. Patwardhan, who led the demonstration, was taken into custody and later released.—A P.

"JAMNADAS GO BACK"

AHMEDNAGAR, April 27.

Over 1,000 hostile demonstrations with Black Flags greeted Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, Revenue and Finance Minister of Bombay, who arrived here this morning on a two-day tour of the drought stricken areas of the district. The crowds, which were led by local Congress leaders, including Mr. P. H. Patwardhan a member of the A.I.C.C. and K. S. Firodia, member of the Bombay Assembly, shouted slogans and cried "Jamnadas Go Back." They were kept back by the police and demonstrated outside the Railway Station.

After Mr. Mehta left the station the demonstrators marched in procession to the bazar, where they held a meeting and passed a resolution condemning the Interim Ministry. Mr. P. H. Patwardhan was taken into custody by the police and was later released.

Mr. Mehta this afternoon left for Tasgaon to meet agriculturists and enquire into the scarcity conditions. From there he proceeds to Sholapur District.—A.P.

IRELAND TO KEEP OUT

De Valera's Statement In Dail

DUBLIN, April 27.

Mr. De Valera announced in the the Dail that the Free State would not be represented at the Imperial Conference.

Replying to Mr. James Dillon, United Ireland Party, Mr. De Valera said that the question of a decision did not arise unless it would be shown that it would be in the interests of the people to be represented there. The circumstances were not such as rendered it necessary to take a formal decision.

Mr. Dillon said "Now we know where we are. We on this side of the House regret the decision".—Reuter.

WINDSOR SUES FOR LIBEL

Publishers And Author Of "Coronation Commentary" In Trouble

LONDON, April 27.

Reuter understands that Messrs. Allen and Overy, the Duke of Windsor's solicitors have served a writ upon Heinnemann, the publishers, and Geoffrey Dennis, the author of 'The Coronation Commentary' claiming damages for libel and injunction.

ADJOURNMENT TALKED OUT

Discussion On Zetland's Speech In Sind Assembly

KARACHI, April 27.

The three days' session of the Sind Legislative Assembly commenced to-day in the Sind Secretariat. Practically all the M.L.A.'s were present. The Opposition benches were occupied by the Congress members, the United Party members and a few Independent members numbering about 22, out of 60 members, the total strength of the House.

The Opposition stuck to their seats when a message from the Governor appointing Diwan Bahadur Hiranand Khem Singh as the Speaker, was read.

After the administration of oath in English and Sindhi, the Speaker informed the House that he had received three adjournment motions but would take only one, namely, on Lord Zetland's speech.

The Cabinet raised the contention that the adjournment motion was out of order and be disallowed.

The Speaker gave the ruling that the motion was in order and fixed 4 p.m. for debate. Nearly 12 members spoke when the time limit of 6 p.m. was reached and the motion was talked out.—United Press.

HARIS RECEIVED BY AUTHORITIES

KARACHI, April 27.

An impressive Hari demonstration was carried out at 10 this morning, when about 300 haris in picturesque rustic attire led by Mr. Jamshed Mehta, Mr. Naraindas Bechar and Mr. Jethmal Parsram Paraded the thoroughfares and terminated at the carry stand overlooking the assembly hall. The procession which was headed by a band carried red posters with slogans such as "we want social justice not carity" and "give us work or give us bread."

The processionists raised cries "hari hakdar" (Mr. Hari has his claims). The three Ministers met the deputationists on whose behalf Mr. Jamshed Mehta submitted a memorial to the Ministers. The memorial which was in Sindhi, was read by one of the Haris.

Replying to the memorandum, Sir Ghulam Hussain, the Premier said that he himself was a Sindhi and a Zamindar, and understood their difficulties. Whatever was possible to redress in connection with their reasonable grievances, they were prepared to do. On the prosperity of the peasantry depended the prosperity of the whole province. At the conclusion of the function syrups were provided to the Haris.

This is supposed to be the first occasion when Haris were reveiv-ed by the authorities.—A. P.

STRIKERS CLASH WITH MERCHANTS

AGRA CITY, April 27.

A procession of labourers, who struck work yesterday came into conflict with some sugar merchants to-day, resulting in one man being seriously injured. A number of men were arrested but were later released on bail.—A. P.

Gresford Pit Case Judgment

LONDON, April 27.

Fines totalling £140 with £350 costs were imposed on the defendants of the Gresford Pit Prosecution. The defendants were found not guilty of summonses concerning ventilation but guilty of eight summonses of failure to keep records of quantities of air in part of the mine.—Reuter.

Congress Mask For Puppet Ministries

Move To Gain Popular Favour By "Stealing" Peoples' Programme

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

SIMLA: April 27.

The Viceroy, who is on tour, is being kept in daily touch with the developments in the country and statements on political issues, made by the Congress leaders and Gandhiji; and so is Whitehall.

No Immediate Action

But competent observers feel no move will be taken by Simla or Whitehall till the "Interim Ministries" face the Legislatures and are turned out and Governors, once again, invite the Congress leaders to form Cabinets.

OUTWARDLY UNCONCERNED

But judging from talks here, Simla appears to wear outwardly an unconcerned attitude in regard to the important meeting of the Congress Cabinet at Allahabad. It seems to be known here that the Congress Working Committee will not and cannot deviate an inch from the position taken up by the A.I.C.C. at Delhi in March last. Almost all Congress leaders, including Gandhiji, have in public declarations made their position clear beyond any shadow of ambiguity and no re-orientation in Congress policy is expected in Simla, arising out of the Allahabad discussions and consultations.

It appears certain that the Governors' attitude will not be affected till a new situation arises as soon as the temporary Ministers face hostile majority in the Legislatures, in six provinces. This will happen either in July or August and till then no efforts are likely to be made by those in authority to attempt rapprochement with Congress leaders.

OUT TO EMULATE CONGRESS.

The situation is being carefully watched and Ministers are being advised to behave in a manner which might catch the imagination of th electorate. It seems that some Governors believe their Ministers might be able to command larger majorities in case they follow the Congress programme and carry on propaganda among the electorate, when another election is ordered. Among official circles there are persons, who know and do not disguise the fact that whatever Governors or their Ministers might do, Congress is sure to sweep the polls at the next election, whenever it comes. In fact their advice is not to order dissolution but permit the Governors to take over administration in case the Congress leaders again refuse to form Ministries.

26 STRIKERS ARRESTED

Sequel To Alleged Obstruction Of Black-Legs From Entering Mill

CALCUTTA, April 27.

Twenty-six strikers were arrested this morning in front of Budge Budge Jute Mills which resumed work yesterday with loyalists. Resumption of work was resented by the strikers who about 400 in number went to the mills early this morning in violation of the order under Section 144 and obstructed the loyalists from entering the mill premises, whereupon the local police reinforced with an armed police dispersed the crowd and made the above number of arrests.

Partial work is going on in the mill and the area is under strong police guard.—United Press.

S.O.S. TO CONGRESS PRESIDENT

CALCUTTA: April 27.

Mr. Sibnath Banerjee, President of the All-India Trade Union Congress, has sent a wire to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru drawing the latter's attention to the strike situation, the ban under Section 144 imposed on the Labour leaders and the incidents of Police firing and alleged assaults on Labour leaders and also requesting Pandit Jawaharlal and the Working Committee to organise an all-India protest day and relief in this connection.—United Press.

ANOTHER JUTE STRIKE BAN

M. L. A. Ordered Not To Enter Howrah For Two Months

CALCUTTA: April 27.

An order under Section 144, Cr. P.C. has been served on Mr. Bankim Mukherjee, M.L.A., a prominent Labour leader, preventing him from entering the Howrah district for a period of two months as the authorities think that his presence is likely to incite the jute workers in the locality to resort to strike.—United Press.

TRAINING TO ACHIEVE INDEPENDENCE

Punjab P.C.C. To Establish Political Workers' Institute

LAHORE, April 27.

A sub-committee of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee has decided to establish a "Political Workers' Institute" in the Bradlaugh Hall in Lahore with the object of educating and training the workers in the task of achieving "Complete Independence by politically and economically organising the country."

For the present 25 persons may be admitted for one season, applicants to come through Congress, Congress Socialist, Peasant or Trade Union Organisations. Boarding and lodging arrangements will be made by the institute but railway fare and other expenses will be paid by the bodies sending the pupils.

THE CURRICULUM.

The curriculum consists of 84 lectures, including subjects such as Land Revenue (ten lectures), National Congress, Labour Movements, Indian History, Civic, and Administration (six each), the World Labour Movement, Nationalism, Socialism, Fascism and Imperialism, peasant problems, the new Constitution, the Principles of Taxation, the Industrial Revolution of Europe and the United Front.

Literacy in any language is the sole qualification for admission. The Institution will be supported by public funds and the P.P.C.C. is likely to make a grant.—A.P.

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WHY EXODUS SHOULD NOT BE ABANDONED

LAHORE, April 26.

With reference to a recent Press statement made by the Leader of the Opposition in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, visualising, on the basis of his talks with the Premier, the possibility next year of the abandonment of the Punjab Government's exodus to Simla, the Chief Secretary of the Unionist Party in a statement to the Press says that what the Premier said was that in view of the existence of extensive and valuable property of the Punjab Government in Simla, it would not be expedient to abandon the move to Simla so long as the Punjab Government was the owner of the property. If, at any time, the Government of India or any other purchaser, was willing to take over the property at its full market value, it would be profitable to abandon the move to Simla.—A. P.

Dr. Pattabhi's Speech

(From Our Correspondent.)
RAJKOT, (By Mail.)

My attention, in connection with my reporting of Dr. Pattabhi's speech, delivered at Rajkot, some time ago, this month, is drawn by Mr. S. C. Bose Manager, Ahmedabad Manufacturing and Calico Printing Co., Ltd., Ahmedabad, (I have correctly reported Dr. Pattabhi's speech. If Mr. Bose, had taken care to read between the lines he would not have rushed to the press to have his interpretation construed in his own way. Had the excise duty of 2 pice per lb. been other than that on cotton imported, India could not have been a loser by 12½ per cent. as Dr. Pattabhi stated. It would have been much less. Because of the lower price of imported Egyptian cotton, this loss comes to 12½ per cent. The price of yarn being much higher, the figure when worked out in percentage would naturally be a smaller one. Nowhere have I stated that this particular company imports foreign yarn.

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AROUND THE COURTS

Bombay, Tuesday.

The Prevention of Gambling Squad raided House No. 128, Matharpakady last evening.

Five persons arrested in the course of the raid were ordered to be released on bail till Thursday 29, at the 2nd Court to-day.

The names of the accused are:—Jagnoo Devidin, Hussein Ahmed, Chidoo Kushal, Morar Bhika and Ramchandra Govind.

A verdict of "accidental" death was recorded by the City Coroner, to-day, at the inquest on Sardar Mohommedkhan Hayatkhan, a mendicant cripple, knocked down by a motor car on the morning of April 25, last at Palton Road, opposite Crawford Market.

On statement made by the mendicant at the G. T. Hospital, the above verdict was returned by the Jury, the Coroner recording the following rider:—

"The man was a hopeless cripple and was accidentally injured by a motor car at Palton Road, while soliciting alms."

An application for the remand of a person alleged to have attempted to commit suicide was made by the Pydhoni police, before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, 2nd Court, Mazagaon, on Tuesday.

It is alleged that Pandoo Kanoo Kamri attempted to cut his throat with two razor blades, but was prevented by his wife. He is at present detained under a police at the J. J. Hospital.

He was ordered to be remanded to custody till May 5.

Pirkhan Ibrahimkhan was arrested last evening for an alleged theft of a bicycle.

On March 14, a Post-peon left his cycle outside the Grant Road Post Office and went inside the office. When he came back after a few minutes, he found it missing.

Last night a cycle was found with one Sadoo Bhirva who, when questioned, pointed out Pirkhan as the man from whom he had taken the cycle on hire.

As Pirkhan could not give a satisfactory account for the possession of the cycle, he was arrested by Lamington Police and bailed out to appear before the Magistrate to-day.

His bail period was extended till May 11 at the Girgaum Court to-day.

The great demand in the market for scrap iron of every description is the explanation that is given of the frequent cases of petty thefts of iron material, in Bombay.

Such an instance occurred on Monday when Hasmatali Karamat was seen by a police constable, when he was trying to remove two big cast iron covers belonging to the city Municipality, from 7th Lane Kamatipura.

He was put under arrest. He was to-day remanded to custody till May 5.

A Sub-Postmaster, who was alleged to have misappropriated Rs. 2,500 in May last year, and was absconding since, was put under arrest yesterday.

It is stated, that Krishnarao Narasinga Rao, while acting as a Sub-Postmaster at Shonkerpur in Bangalore City, had misappropriated a sum of Rs. 2,500 on May 5 last year and absconded from the place the next day. He was apprehended by an Investigating Officer of Bombay, G. P. O. who handed him over to the Lamington Road Police.

Pending further inquiries and the accused not objecting, he was remanded in custody till May 10, at the Girgaum Police Court, to-day.

Spending large sums of money may attract the attention of the police.

This was proved at the 2nd Presidency Magistrate's Court to-day, when the Nagpada police asked for the custody of Besheswar Gajadhar.

It was stated that he was seen spending a considerable amount of money during the past three days. This aroused the suspicion of the police, who affected his arrest at Sukhlaji Street at 1-30 this morning. He had with him two Bank books and a number of bills bearing the name of Dr. Nathoon Mistrie of Benares. The suspect failed to account for his possession of these books and bills.

Pending investigations he was ordered to be released on bail till May 11.

HINDUS IN N. W. F. MUST BE PROTECTED

Bombay Meeting Condemns Activities Of Fakir Of Ipi

(From A Correspondent.)

A meeting of Hindus was held at the Kshatriya Vanamal Hall at Dadar, under the auspices of the Hindu Maha Sabha, under the Chairmanship of Sheth Gordhandas G. Morarji.

Resolutions were passed condemning the excesses perpetrated on Hindus, living in the Borderland of the North-Western Frontier Province by the tribes led by the Fakir of Ipi and expressing deep sympathy with and grave concern in the fate of the Hindu brethren there that have clung fondly and faithfully to their religion and culture for centuries together in spite of persecution, urging the Government to do their duty and protect the Hindu subjects by conducting more vigorously the campaign against the tribes and exhorting the Government immediately to grant the demand of the Hindus there, to give them permission to wear arms to defend their hearths and homes; which act will go a long way to strengthen the self-confidence amongst the Hindus there and put a check on the attackers.

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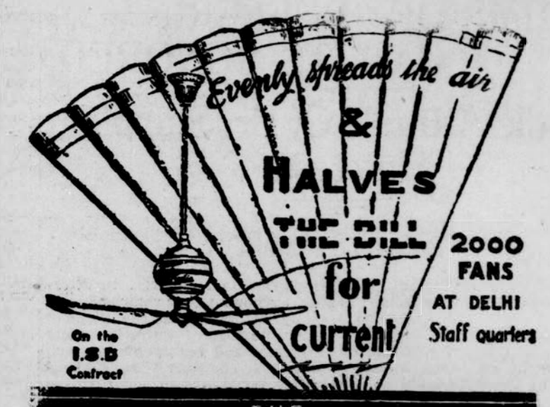

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CLAIMS OF "DUFFERIN" CADETS IGNORED

Hostile Attitude Of Br. Shipping Interests

Indian Merchants' Chamber Charges Govt. With Breach Of Promise

The Secretary the Indian Merchants' Chamber, in the course of a letter to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Commerce, Simla, on "Employment of duly qualified cadets of the Training Ship Dufferin as Officers" says:

I am directed by my Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your letter together with enclosures mentioned therein on the above subject.

My Committee regret to remark that not only has no answer been given to some of the very important points raised in their communication of the 17th September 1936, but a careful study of the questions and answers given in the Legislative Assembly make them seriously apprehensive as regards the ex-Dufferin Cadets securing employment as Officers on ships at sea in the future.

TAKING ALL PRACTICAL STEPS

While the Commerce Member has stated in reply to question No. 186 that "they have been taking all practicable steps to extend the opportunities of employment of these cadets", my Committee find that in actual practice not only is the scope of employment further narrowed down by the Government of India exercising their influence only with the shipping companies trading on the coasts of India, but that little scope also is further restricted by the new condition "that engagement of apprentices and the employment of officers in afterlife is, however, dependent on many factors such as conditions of trade, number of vacancies and the rules and regulations of each individual company." My Committee would like to add that the words "rules and regulations of each individual company" are very significant and would imply in actual practice restriction against employment on a much larger scale than what would be ordinarily understood from the words in question.

GOING BACK ON THEIR PROMISE

As pointed out in the communication referred to above, Lord Irwin in his speech to the Associated Chanmber appealed to the British shipping interests to cooperate in making the Training Ship a success by giving the cadets a fair opportunity of securing employment on their ships and the Commerce Member in the Legislative Assembly gave the assurance "that the training in the Steamship Dufferin would not have been provided unless the Government have been satisfied that these Companies were going to afford scope for employment to the Dufferin cadets". The Government of India seem to be going back upon their promises and assurances in this connection and the most scandalous illustration in support of the apprehension my Committee have been feeling in this matter, is that not only have they refused to address their letter to the P. & O. Company, which have been enjoying the largest patronage from the Government and the people of this country, but they seem to be determined to continue to extend such patronage, as the benefit of Lee Concessions, etc., to them despite the fact that they have refused to employ the ex-Dufferin cadets as officers on their ships. Such hostile attitude of British shipping interests and the helplessness of the Government of India to persuade them to change it, is really unfortunate for the future success of the Training Ship.

REVEALING ANSWERS

Another important point which was referred to in our communication and about which definite assurances were given on the floor of the House was the desirability of attaching conditions as regards the training and employment of Indians as apprentices and officers on board the steamers of the Companies which were getting annual subsidies for the carriage of mails. The Government actually promised that the matter would receive their most favourable consideration. What did the questions and answers really reveal? On the 8th September 1936, the Commerce Member stated "that question is engaging the attention of the Government." On the 18th September, the Commerce Member remarked "that question has recently been considered and Government have come to the conclusion that unless they were to modify considerably the financial conditions of the contract, they could not force these companies to employ a certain number of cadets. But they will try to persuade these companies to offer employment as far as reasonable to ex-Dufferin cadets." Again on the 28th September, 1936, the Commerce Member definitely stated that Government of India were not prepared while entering into fresh contracts with shipping companies to get assurances from them that they would take early steps to employ the cadets of the Training Ship "Dufferin." Again on the same day Sir Frank Noyce remarked that "the question was receiving their most careful consideration."

TINKERING WITH THE PROBLEM

This is how, my Committee are constrained to remark, the Government are tinkering with the problem. If the Government are really serious in their endeavours to attach the conditions regarding the employment of ex-Dufferin cadets as referred to above in connection with the contracts for the carriage of mails, such arguments as the modification of the financial conditions of the contract etc. would not be drawn out as red-herring across the path. My Committee have already drawn the attention of the Government of India in the communication dated the 17th September last to the more stringent conditions than those contemplated in the above proposal having been imposed in other parts of the Empire.

In view of the growing anxiety on this subject even on the part of the Governing Body of the Training Ship "Dufferin" itself and having regard to the large contraction in the number of cadets competing for admission into the Training Ship "Dufferin", my Committee feel constrained to urge once again that unless the Government of India determine to take immediate and effective steps to secure proper chances of employment for ex-Dufferin cadets as officers in the future and redeem their assurances and promises which have been inducing Indian parents to send their children to the Ship in pursuit of a new career, the object with which the Training ship has been established in Indian waters will not be achieved and if things are allowed to drift, my Committee have serious apprehensions as regards the building up of an Indian personnel for the service at sea. My Committee venture to express the hope that Government will be pleased to reconsider their policy in connection with this important matter.

The Secretary, Indian Merchants' Chamber in the course of a letter to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Commerce, Simla says:

I am directed by the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber to invite your attention to the recent reports in the Press that the Commerce Department of the Government of India have proposed to convene a Conference of the British and the Japanese shipping interests for the purpose of adjusting their quotas in the Indo-Japanese Maritime Trade, from which the Indian shipping interests seem to have been evidently excluded.

My Committee would like in this connection to invite your attention to their letter No. 52 of the 8th January 1937 in regard to the attempts being made by the British shipping interests to exploit the bargaining power of India and the negotiations which were then going on in regard to the Indo-Japanese Trade Agreement, for securing preference for British shipping in the Indo-Japanese Maritime Trade at the cost of Indian shipping interests. Several Indian Chambers including this Chamber have already protested against this and have insisted that if any preference has to be given for carrying the Indo-Japanese maritime trade on the strength of India's market or India's bargaining power, it should be given to Indian shipping and not to British shipping at the cost of India.

In the case the Press report referred to above is correct, my Committee would strongly urge upon the Government of India tho necessity not only of inviting the representatives of Indan shipping to the proposed Conference, but of giving them an effective and predominant voice in the adjustment of the carriage of trade which emanates from India or terminates in India.

Even if it is suggested that the Conference which is proposed to be convened is to be a Conference between the British and the Japanese shipping interests actually engaged in the Indo-Japanese maritime trade and that too for the purpose of determining their respective quotas in that trade, my Committee are seriously apprehensive of the manner in which the vital interest of Indian trade and Indian shipping would be sacrificed as a result of secretive methods and private arrangements between the two sets of shipping interests who really carry Indian exports and imports and who would presumably utilise the authority and influence of the Government of India for furthering the cause of British shipping during such negotiations with Japanese shipping interests. My Committee have, therefore, to urge upon the Government of India the necessity of securing a proper place and an effective voice for Indian shipping interests in such a Conference so that not only will they be able to translate into action their policy of developing Indian shipping in the overseas trade, but they will thereby be able to safeguard the larger economic interests of India by securing for Indian shipping its legitimate share in the Indo-Japanese maritime trade which emanates from India or terminates in this country.

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P. M.

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HASAR DAY.

P. M.

6-30 AIR Orchestra. 6-40 AIR Artist. Chorus. 6-45 G. A. Khan. "Yad men teri jahan ko bhulta jata hun, main, Bhuine wale kabhi tujhko bhi yad ata hun main." (Hashr), 6-52 Umrao Zia Begum. "Chori kahin khule na nasim-i-bahar ki, Khushbu ura ke lai hai gaisu-yar ki." (Hashr). 7-0 Talk (Hindustani): ("Hashr as I knew him." By Hakim Ahmed Shuja 7-15 G. A Khan and Umrao Zia Begum. Songs from Hashr's Plays. 7-30 Talk (Hindustani): "Hashr as a dramatist." By Syyed Imtaz Ali Taj. 7-45 Selected scenes from Hashr's Plays. AIR Artists. Chorus from Bilva Mangal. "Bilwa-Mangal." "Ankhka-Nasha." "Dilki-Pias. "Ishq-OFarz." (Performed by AIR Artists). 9-5 Umrao Zia Begum. "Han saqi-i-mastana bhar de mara paimana, Badmast ghata hai ya urta hua maikhana." (Hashr). 9-15 2nd News and Weather Report (Hindustani). 9-30 2nd News and Weather Report (English). 9-45 Talk (English): "Orpheus Abroad". No. 8. Musical Notation. By John Foulds 10-0 Abdul Aziz Khan of Patiala. Vina.

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12-36 The Grand Hotel Orchestra. From the Palm Court of the Grand Hotel. 1-16 Talk (English) "In your Garden." No. 2. The Glory of Summer. By S. Percy Lancaster. Calcutta Weather Bulletin for Ocean and Rivercraft. 1-36 Modern Bengali Song. Baidyanath Chaterjee. 1-51 Bhatiali. Jyotikana Ghose. 2-6 Talk "Through Foreign Lands." No. 1. My Sojourn in England. By Dr. S. K. Nag Choudhri. 2-21 A Variety Programme. Under the direction of Nitai Motilal. Assisted by Sura Sangha. 5-6 A Broadcast for Rural Areas. 5-36 Humorous Song. Haridas Banerjee. 5-51 Light Bengali Song. Suprava Ghose. 6-6 Classico-Modern Song. Kashi Nath Chatterjee. 6-26 "Swapan Puri." A Feature Programme. 7-36 Talk: "Books of the Month." By Sukumar Sen. 7-51 Modern Bengali Song. Robin Bose. 8-6 The News and Weather Report (In Bengali.) 8-21 Thumri and Ghazal. Zamiruddin Khan 8-41 Gazal and Dadra. Fullanalini. 9-1 Commercial News and Weather Report (In English). 9-6 The News and Announcements. 9-21 "When Peacocks Sing." A Play. By T. M. Watson. 9-51 A Light Orchestral and Vocal Programme. Peter Dawson. Bass. The New Light Symphony Orchestra.

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P. M.

6-0 Naghma Bhopali. Kheyber Radio Orchestra. 6-10 Indian Music. (Recorded). 6-30 Gobind Ram. Khayal; Dadra. 6-50 Abdul Aziz. Ghazal. 7-0 Talk (Hindustani): "The Frontier Under the New Constitution." By Mr. A. N. Mitchell. (Hindustani Translation.) 7-15 "Afghan Martial Music." Kheyber Radio Orchestra. 7-23 Abdul Aziz. Punjabi Song. 7-30 "Hugha Dagha." A programme arranged for villagers. 8-35 Des On Sitar. "Peshwar Speaks." No. 2. The West End. 8-42 Gobind Ram. Popular Songs; Ghazal. 9-15 The News and Weather Report (In Hindustani). 9-30 The News and Weather Report (in English). 9-45 European Music. (Recorded).

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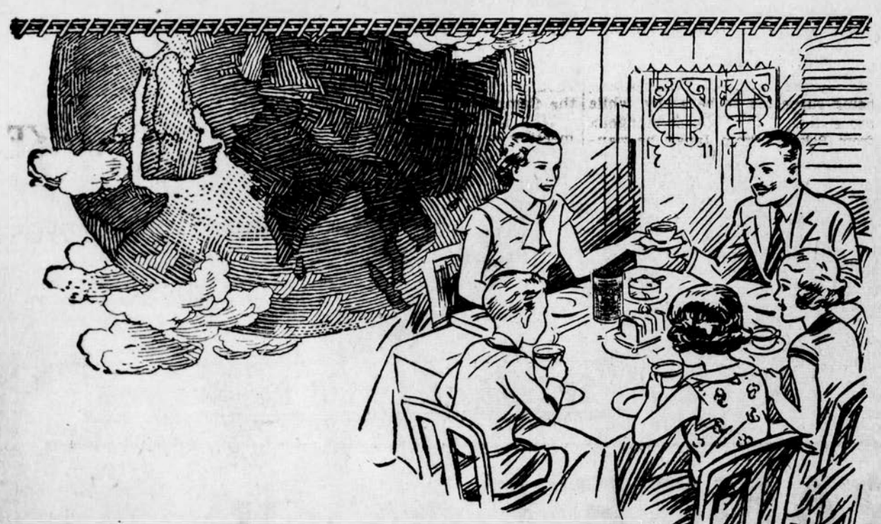

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Hightide: 0-55; 13-50
Lowtide: 6-58; 19-41
Sunrise: 6h. 12m.
Sunset: 7h. 0m.

Debate of Indian and European Progressive Groups, Taj Mahal Hotel 6-30 p.m.

Thursday, April 29.

First and Second M.B.B.S. Examination results, University Building, 2 p.m.

S. S. 'Corfu' with English mails of the 15th instant due at 4 p.m.

KHADI BHANDAR

The A.I.S.A. Khadi Bhandar, Kalbadevi Road will be closed for public Sales on account of their Quarterly stock taking day, to-morrow (Thursday).

B. P. ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Professor M. R. Parekh will meet this students in French to-day (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m. in the South Wing, University Buildings.

POSTAL NOTICE

Regd. and unregd. Mails for Straits Settlements, per Extra S. S. "Ellenga" via Negapatam will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 12 and 12-30 p.m. respectively on Wednesday the 28th instant.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The N.Y.K. Steamer "Tango Maru" left Colombo for Bombay via ports of call on the 25th April, and is due to arrive here to-day (Wednesday) at Noon.

The O.S.K. Steamer "Fukuyo Maru" left Colombo on April 22 and is due to arrive in Bombay on April 29.

ZARTHOSHTI THEOSOPHICAL LEAGUE

Under the auspices of the Zarthoshti Theosophical League, Mr Sorabji N. Kanga will lecture in Gujrati at the Theosophical Society's Besant Hall, French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Wednesday) and Thursday 29th April at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on Comparision of Plato's Ideas with Zorosstrian Philosophy of Franashi Part III and IV respectively.

MINISTER'S TOUR PROGRAMME

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:—

The Hon'ble Mr. Hoosenally M. Rahimtoola, Minister of Local Self-Government, leaves Bombay to-day (Wednesday) on a tour to Dharwar and Kanara. The Minister will halt at Dharwar on April 29, Yellapur on May 1 and Karwar on May 3 and 4, returning to Bombay on May 5.

KANARA BROTHERHOOD.

Under the auspices of the Kanara Brotherhood, Mr. S. R. Haldipur, M.L.C. of Kanara, will deliver a lecture on "The Present Social Political and Economic Problems of Kanaras and their solution", on Thursday, the 29th April at 7 p.m. (S.T.) in the premises of the Brotherhood, 302, B. Vithalbhai Patel Road, Girgaon.

THE BOMBAY FIELD-CLUB.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Field Club Mr. C. R. Girard, Director, Sir J. J. School of Art will deliver a lecture illustrated with an epidioscope on "Artists' Vision" at 6 p.m. to-day (Wednesday), in the Lecture Hall of the School of Economics and Sociology, South Wing, University of Bombay, Mr. M. A. Jinnah, will preside.

BOMBAY CONGRESS SOCIALIST PARTY.

The Secretary of the pary writes: The General Council of the Party will meet to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. at the Party's office to make arrangements for the sale of Flags on May Day and allot work for that day.

Every active member is expected to attend and ordinary members who are willing to help are also invited to be present.

ST. TERESA'S HIGH SCHOOL.

The pupils of St. Teresa's High School Girgaum, are organising a performance at the Royal Opera House to-day (Wednesday) tomorrow and the day after.

The play selected is "Miss Hook of Holland", the delightful Musical Comedy by Paul Rubens.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice K. W. Barlee will preside to-day, A. C. Hinrichs, Esq., J. P. President, W.I.F.A. will preside to-morrow Major General S. J. P. Scobell will preside on the 30th.

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EMPIRE—"Under Two Flags" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
EXCELSIOR—"The Man in the Mirror" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m
GLOBE—"Noor-e-Wahadut" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Devdas" Time as usual.
IMPERIAL—"Jagat Kesari" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m
KOHINOOR—"Under Sea-Kingdom" Daily at usual time.
KRISHNA—"President" Daily at 5-15 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Begunah" Daily at 5-15 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Atma Tarang" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Prem Kahani". Daily at 8-30, and 10-30 p.m.
PATHE—"I Marry a Doctor" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Sonhera Sansar" Daily at 7-45 and 10-30 p.m
REGAL—"This'll make you Whistle" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
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WEST END—"Dolls of Clay" Daily at usual time.

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STATE COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT RESIGNS.

(From A Correspondent.)
DHRANGADRA, April 27.

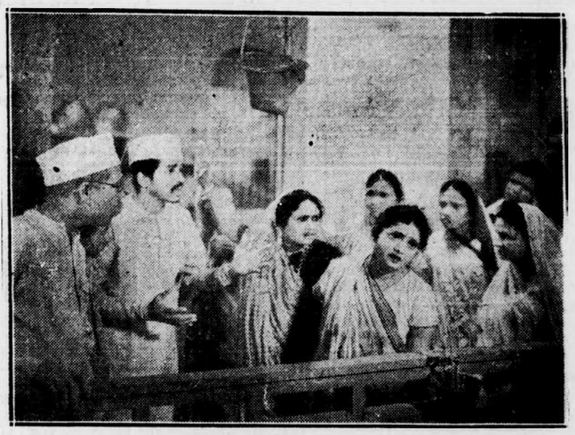
The newly appointed Vice-President of the State Council, has, it is understood, resigned his post.

MAHAVIR'S BIRTH-DAY CELEBRATION.

(From Our Correspondent.)
AHMEDABAD, (By Mail.)

Friday being the 2464th birthday of Mahavir local Jains arranged big functions in their honour. In the early morning a procession with Lord Mahavir's chariot in the front went round the city. Hundreds of Jains joined.

A public meeting was held in the Hall of Vidyashala when Jain Acharya Shree Vijaysidhsuri presided. His Holiness while speaking on the glorious life of Lord Mahavir exhorted the Jains to unite for the cause of "ahimsa," the principle of the late Lord. His Holiness dwelt at length on different aspects of the life of Lord Mahavir. At night Jains gathered for prayers in different temples of the city.



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BENGALEE GLOBE-TROTTER IN BOMBAY

Mr. K. C. Banerjee, who set out on foot, from Tinsukia in Assam in 1933 on a tour round the world with the object of studying the social and economic conditions of the different countries, and who has already travelled over all the Eastern countries, arrived here in course of his tour to catch a boat to Persia, whence he likes to proceed through Turkey to Europe.

During his journey he had many adventures. Once he was kidnapped by the Chinese Communists, being suspected to be a spy, while proceeding to Outer-Mongolia from Peking. From Japan he wanted to proceed to Europe through U.S.S.R., but the Moscow Government refused to grant him any visa, even a transit visa.

After his return from Far-Eastern lands he published a book on his travels, entitled "My Travels in the East." Uptil now he has travelled over 35,000 miles and expects to finish his tour within a year. Mr. Banerjee took a bicycle from Burma. He hails from Dacca in Bengal and is only 25 years old.

EXPANSION OF IRRIGATION

Bombay Ministry's Programme

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:

The Ministry has announced to the public the following programme under Irrigation:—

That a Committee be appointed to investigate.

(1) the feasible expansion of irrigation in different districts, and how far the various minor irrigation schemes worked out by the special officer Mr. Lowsley could be introduced, particularly in scarcity areas;

(2) whether water rates can be reduced;

(3) what steps should be taken in case of lands and villages damaged by water logging;

(4) the feasibility of permitting the use of tail waters from hydro-electric schemes for agricultural purposes.

The personnel of the Committee will be announced to the public soon, and in that connection, the Hon'ble the Chief Minister in charge of irrigation will shortly pay a visit to the Deccan canals area, camp there for a few days and investigate on the spot the existing conditions there with a view to gauge the correct situation and give proper directions to the Committee to be appointed.

SHAMDASANI FILES COMPLAINT AGAINST CENTRAL BANK

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. P. D. Shamdasani to-day filed a complaint against the Central Bank of India Ltd., in the Court of the Chief Presidency Magistrate under Section 133 (3) of the Indian Companies Act, 1913, of having issued circulated or published a balance sheet as of 31st December, 1936, and a Profit and Loss Account for the year ended December 31, 1936, which do not comply with the requirements laid down by and under Section 132 read with Regulation 107 contained in Table A in first Schedule of the said Act.

Summons was ordered to be issued and was duly served upon the Bank to-da, at 2 p.m.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By: A SUBURBAN MAN)

Though from time to time I have drawn the attention of the suburban police authorities to the need for enforcing a speed limit along the stretch of Ghodbunder Road, it appears that very little heed has been paid to that suggestion.

With the picnic season in full swing numerous cars are seen passing along the Ghodbunder Road, daily. This road with dwellings on both sides affords no safety for pedestrians. Villagers, children, cattle and carts are perpetually obstructing the motorists' path and a slight miscalculation almost inevitably means a serious accident.

With a very limited number of policemen to regulate traffic, it is rare to see a car doing less than thirty miles an hour on Ghodbunder Road.

VILE PARLE'S VEGETABLE MARKET

With Mr. J. W. L. Gomes, the Vice-President of the Vile Parle Municipality in the chair the Municipal Board on Monday last considered and adopted the budget proposals for 1937-38.

The Board, in considering the budget abandoned the scheme for the erection of a combined office, dispensary and market building. It will be recalled that a proposal for such a building had arisen out of an offer made by an anonymous donor for Rs. 10,000 for the erection of this building. It was then proposed to purchase a plot of land near the station and to erect on it a building from the money received from the sale of the present office building; but as the Municipality had voted for the construction of a bridge away from the railway station, the anonymous donor however, withdrew his offer.

The Board, therefore, decided to make a provision of Rs. 17,000 for the construction of a fish and vegetable market, in the western side of the town and for a vegetable market on the eastern side.

The latter market on the eastern side which is estimated at a cost of Rs. 5,000 is to be started immediately. The market on the western side is estimated to cost Rs. 12,000 which will be raised by a loan.

A provision of Rs. 1,500 was made by the Board for the improvement of gavthans and the Board sanctioned a grant-in-aid of Rs. 51 to the Industrial Home for Women conducted by the Social Service League at Vile Parle.

GOKLIBAI SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

A function that has become the annual feature among the students and their parents of Goklibai High School, Vile Parle, was celebrated in the premises of the school on Monday night.

The function was organised by the teachers and pupils of the said school and attracted a large gathering of children and their parents.

The programme was varied and kept the gathering spell bound. Beautiful dances by the girls made the audience applaud and two scenes of the Hindi drama "Shahjahan" were very creditably performed and a Hindi skit, entitled "Honorary Magistrate" was full of humour.

I understand this programme is to be repeated on Wednesday night for the general public.

W.I.A.A.'s PROGRESS

Vice-President Disapproves Criticism Regarding Mahableshwar Toll

The annual general meeting of the Western India Automobile Association was held in the Hall of the Electric House on Tuesday evening.

The annual report of the Association showed that the Association is marching from progress to progress. Starting with just 500 members in 1919, it has to-day a membership of over 6,000.

ANNUAL PROGRESS.

Summarising the work of the Association during the year Mr. H. E. Ormerod who presided said: "Under the Free Legal Advice and Defence Scheme we defended 108 cases out of which 68 resulted in acquittal. The calls upon our Road service show an increase of 750 per cent during the year. Under the Licence Renewal Reminder Service, 1,152 members were sent reminders. Our touring service issued 2,868 routes covering 18,54,142 miles. The work in the Foreign Touring Department showed a substantial increase and 33 foreign routes were issued covering 24,049 miles".

Mr. Guevrek, the Vice-President in the course of his speech disapproved of the criticism levelled against the Committee with regard to the subject of the Mahableshwar toll and announced that it had been now abolished.

Mr. J. K. Kamdar, solicitor, maintained that the criticism of the Committee was justified and that the removal of the toll was due to the efforts, not of the Association but of certain non-members.

After the report was adopted Messrs. Fergusson and Co. were appointed auditors for the year.

CO-OPTION TO COMMITTEE.

Some members having vacated their seats on the Committee by a vote of the Committee in accordance with the Articles of the Association three new members were scheduled to be elected by ballot to-day. But it was discovered at a very late stage that this procedure was not correct in accordance with the provisions of the Company Law Amendment Act, which has come into force since January. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the present Committee should continue but that the ballot box should be unofficially opened and those that had obtained the highest votes should be co-opted as members by the Committee.

With a vote of thanks the meeting terminated.

CAUTION FOR MOTORING PUBLIC

Suburban Dt. Collector's Notification

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:

The Collector of Bombay Suburban District notifies for the information of the public that the Aerodrome Authorities at Juhu have to take in hand at once repairs to Drainage works at the aerodrome. These include regarding and the digging out of certain drains and re-making those portions of the bund which had to be cut through to make the temporary track which has been in use this cold weather.

From 1st May the North Bund may as a special concession be used for motor, pedestrian and cycle traffic only. Its use by carriages and bullock carts cannot be permitted as such traffic is likely to damage the bund, which does not have a pacca surface and at places is very narrow with the result that ruts are quickly formed. Moreover, the sides of the bund are unprotected, and there is no guard where the narrowest portions are come upon suddenly, e.g., where the bridges have been made over the sluices, so that any car leaving the road at such places would go straight over into the drain. For these reasons the way over the north Bund must no be used by motor traffic "after dark." This provision is made in the interests, of the safety of the public and if it is found to be broken the use of the bund by motors will have to be stopped at together. In any event the use of the bund by motor cars can continue only until the monsoon sets in.

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ON THE KNEES OF GODS

The Congress Working Committee, which was to have arrived at some definite decision on Tuesday on the constitutional deadlock in the country has failed to do so. This is evidently due to the uncompromising statement of Mr. R. A. Butler in the Commons and the need for most careful consideration to be given to a fitting reply to it. It is obvious that Mr. Butler's statement does not hold out any prospect of a settlement and neither Gandhiji nor anybody else in the Working Committee is prepared to relax the conditions of office acceptance by Congress. Indeed, the Committee has no power to do so. But lest it should be believed by any appreciable section of the public that the break-down was to any extent due to a misunderstanding of the A. I. C. C. resolution, it seems possible that the Working Committee is considering how best to amplify that resolution by embodying in it the explanations that Gandhiji has already given and may yet deem it necessary to add. In any case it may be safely assumed that neither Gandhiji nor the Working Committee will tone down the demand for an assurance from the Governor.

Summon The Legislatures

Assuming that the Committee will re-issue the A. I. C. C. resolution embodying all necessary explanations, it is hardly likely to stop there. In all probability it will lay down a uniform policy to be followed by the Congress Party wherever it has a majority. It seems now all but certain that Government will not immediately seek a settlement with Congress but will rather take the chance of the minority Ministries obtaining the support of the legislature for attractive items taken from the Congress programme. Thus the Ministries may propose to make a fair cut in the land revenue or the liquor revenue and may expect that by opposing such proposals Congress will only put itself in the wrong. The Congress will know how to deal with the dodge. But let the Ministries convene the legislatures at once and try all their devices. Whatever else the Congress may do or refrain from doing, it will certainly move and carry a vote of censure on the Ministries.

Prepare For The Worst

Once the present dummy Ministries are censured, their continuance in office is inconceivable. When they resign, the Governors will in all probability invite the Congress Party again to take the place of those whom it has censured out of office. In making the invitation in such circumstances the Governors will feel there is no loss of prestige and may even lecture the Congress Party on the duty of assuming responsibility after dismissing a Ministry, as is done in all countries when responsible government prevails. The Congress will, of course, reply again that it will assume responsibility when it is accompanied with due power, as is the case in all countries where responsible government prevails. If at this stage the Governors do not come to a settlement with the Congress, the consequences cannot but be very serious. It is also necessary for the Government to realise that a break with the Congress now may make what is now possible an impossibility in the future. As for the Congress, it should prepare itself even from now for the worst. No time should be lost in spreading Congress organisation and influence to every town and village and among every class or community in the country.

In The Melting Pot?

The epidemic of serious alarms and excursions has again broken out in Europe. The situation has made it inevitable. Belgium's neutrality has upset the political and strategic scheme of security in Western Europe. A patch-up compromise has been arrived at. But it is bound to involve France in more elaborate defensive arrangements and it is also bound to strengthen Germany *vis-a-vis* France and, therefore, strengthen the threat to peace.

Then we have the developments in Central Europe. Italy has, of course, her teeth firmly embedded in Austria. Then why did she compromise her own exclusive supremacy by trying to let in German influence also? It is true that Dr. Schuschnigg has contradicted the report that a Nazi Austrian will be taken in the Government. But it is also true that Signor Mussolini's mouthpiece had approvingly published the report. Can it be that Signor Mussolini's diplomatic mind is working in a positively more sinister direction? It is known that he is working to form an Italian bloc in the Balkans by trying to enlist in it Yugo-Slavia, Greece and even Turkey. Can it be that he is trying to arouse German enthusiasm for a Central European-cum-Balkan Fascist group under his leadership?

Finally there is the critical situation in Spain. A laconic communique says that Signor Mussolini and General Goering discussed the question of economic self-sufficiency—as a preparation for war?—and the situation in Spain. We have no doubt that they did. The reverses that Franco and his Italo-German masters have met with recently have alarmed them. And it is possible that the present offensive of the rebels is the result of another large scale assistance by Italy and Germany. And since experience must have taught them the folly of being too optimistic in the matter of Spain it is possible that General Goering and Signor Mussolini might have discussed the possibility of a final desperate measure including, perhaps, the use of poison gas. In the meantime a grave crisis has all but arisen in a most unlikely quarter. The hitherto peaceful difference of opinion between the British navy and the insurgents in connection with the running of the Bilbao blockade may develop into something more dangerous at any minute. General Queippo Dellano, the rebels' loud speaker, has said: "Maybe some Spanish gentleman sailor belonging to the Nationalist navy will carry out his duty, in which case some one will be responsible for the outcome." This is really an authoritative invitation to some Spanish gentleman (!) sailor to have a pot shot at the British cruiser "Shropshire." If this happens even the present British Government will not be able to ignore a deliberate and pre-arranged act of provocation! That would mean war. Indeed the peace of Europe and the world is being threatened at the present moment from more than one direction.

Wheat Production In India

The Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India has published the first Report on the marketing of wheat in India in accordance with the recommendation of the Royal Commission on Agriculture in India. This publication is based on all-India investigations and sets forth the essential facts regarding the marketing of Indian wheat with the ultimate object of obtaining better prices for cultivators. The world production of wheat in 1903-13, including Russia, was approximately 100.6 million tons of which India's share was 9.5 millions. Since then the production of wheat in this country has increased to an average of 9.7 million tons, but the world production has risen, particularly in North and South America and in Australia and the average annual world crop in 1930-34 was about 123.2 million tons. India's share of world production accordingly fell from 9.5 per cent in the earlier period to 7.9 per cent in the later. According to the latest available statistics covering the crop year 1935-36, India produced 7.8 per cent of the world crop.

Export of wheat was a normal feature of India's foreign trade before the war and in 1909-13 the average annual export was over 1.3 million tons or nearly 14 per cent of the average Indian wheat crop. In recent years, however, the export trade has been almost insignificant. Between 1928-29 and 1931-32, India was indeed an importer of wheat. Nearly ninety-six per cent of the total wheat crop in India is found North and West of a line drawn across the Peninsula from Bombay to Calcutta. The total area of wheat in this country is 33.2 million acres and represents more than one-tenth of the total cultivated area. Owing to the absence of statistical data it is very difficult to arrive at the details regarding the utilisation of the crop, and the estimates given in the present Report are based on facts ascertained by personal contact between marketing staffs, producers, merchants and consumers. Prices vary on the basis of different qualities but Karachi prices are mainly based on foreign prices, particularly Argentine and Australian. The report shows the way how Provincial Governments, rulers of States and merchants can help to improve marketing facilities. It contains many useful statistical tables regarding production, exports, distribution and prices which will be helpful to those interested in wheat trade.

JINNAH'S FAILURE

"The Game Is Played Out"

(By M. I. Baig).

Every Musalman in India sincerely regrets that Mr. Jinnah has failed them in the hour of trial. His statement to the Press clearly shows that he is no longer the same man to whom, in the past, Muslims looked up for inspiration and guidance. The reasoning he resorts to in his charge-sheets against the Congress is an insult to his own intelligence. He maintains that his League "stands for the freedom of our country and for full national self-government," but he makes an honourable settlement for the protection and safeguarding of the rights and interests of the minorities an essential condition precedent, and the 'basic principle." This means going back to his famous fourteen points and behind the Communal Award. In other words, he wants leaders, both Hindu and Muslim, to begin at the beginning; and in the meantime, he wants the Congress to keep its hands off the Muslim masses. Incidentally, he has taken up the cause of other minorities also. Such an attitude that he has chosen to adopt, is more certainly bound to lead to disaster than the orientation of any new Congress policy towards Muslims.

An Implicit Admission.

The implicit admission in his statement that, although the League has existed for the last 30 years, it did not come into contact with Muslim masses, is by itself good enough for condemning the League. His appeal for organising provincial and district Leagues is a belated attempt to gain the lost ground. Muslim intelligentsia never had anything to do with the League. The League has been represented, controlled and exploited by a few aristocrats and self-seekers. Before the last elections, it was taken out of the cold storage for setting up Parliamentary Boards and to get the votes of the ignorant masses. The poverty-stricken Muslim masses remain where they stood. These so-called champions are now thinking of organising themselves for the mass contact! Having eternally treated the masses with crass indifference and freezing snobbishness, these well-fed, well-dressed and wealthy stalwarts of the League have now the temerity to stand between their victims and the only organised political institution in the country. But the game is played out. Signs of increasing awakening amongst masses and intelligentsia are so glaringly in evidence that there is hardly any chance for the sham to succeed. The Big Brother does not want a Mussolini in India. Sir A. M. K. Dehlavi taking up rather late the promptings of a British peer, demands assurances from the majority community and the Congress, but their great leader, the Dictator of the League, goes a step further and demands an honourable settlement regarding the rights and interests of minorities. All these tactics which are intended to hamper the Congress are doomed to failure.

Example of Muslim Countries.

Modern Turkey, Egypt and Persia have proved by practical achievements that territorial patriotism is not only compatible with, but is the spirit and essence of Islam. And every true Musalman in India, as elsewhere, is first a true patriot. The irony of it is that both paid and unpaid supporters of the enemies of India,

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Caustic Soda Industry

Great Possibilities In Bombay City

By V. S. Dubey, M. Sc., Ph. D., D. I. C., Benares Hindu University.

Heavy chemical industry is a very important industry for the country and in this industry Sulphuric acid, Caustic soda and Soda ash are the most important items. Till now there is no plant in the country manufacturing caustic soda, though we are importing it to an extent of Rs. 42 lakhs worth per year. Caustic soda is an essential constituent of soap and is used to a great extent in that industry. We cannot call any soap manufactured in India as a Swadeshi soap in the strict sense of the term as long as we have to depend upon imported caustic soda for its manufacture.

In the caustic soda industry, besides caustic soda, we also obtain chlorine as a by-product which can be sold either as liquid chlorine or after turning it into bleaching powder. This bleaching product is a very important chemical for textile industry where it is used for bleaching purposes. From the point of view of national economy as well as national self-sufficiency it is essential that this chemical should be manufactured in the country so that the textile industry may not be required to depend upon imported bleaching powder and we may have pure Swadeshi cloths quite untouched by any foreign chemical.

The manufacture of these two chemicals is so easy that it is a wonder why the industry has not yet been started anywhere in India. At the Benares Hindu University the writer has been making a detailed study of this industry, and has come to the conclusion that Bombay offers the best chances of development for this industry, and that this industry, started at Bombay can defy both internal and external competition and can give a very good dividend.

Chief Raw Material

The chief raw material for this industry is common salt. Common salt is dissolved in water and electric current is passed in it with the result that caustic soda is formed and chlorine gas is liberated. This chlorine gas can either be liquified and used as liquid chlorine in water works or can be passed into lime and turned into bleaching powder. From this we see that the only requirement for this industry is cheap common salt and cheap electric current. To manufacture one ton of caustic soda it required 1.75 tons of common salt and about 2,700 units of electricity in the most efficient modern cells. Besides this, carbon electrodes and some other parts of the cell are consumed which have to be renewed periodically. According to the writer a ten ton caustic soda plant which will produce also about 8.5 tons of chlorine or about 25 tons of bleaching powder per day will be quite suitable for Bombay, as it will be easy to consume about 3,000 tons of caustic soda and about 6,000 tons of bleaching powder in the Bombay market alone annually which will be the capacity of this plant

Costs Of Production

The cost data given here are based upon the ten ton size plant. As regards rate of salt it is possible to obtain it at about Rs. 7 a ton at Bombay. But the salt produced at Bombay has got certain impurities like Magnesium salt and sulphates. So before it can be used for caustic soda plant it will have to be purified and the magnesium salt and sulphate will have to be removed by adding sodium carbonate and barium chloride so that pure sodium chloride is obtained. This purification is very easy and is being carried out in different parts where the salt available is not very pure. The most costly item in the manufacture of caustic soda is the cost of electric current. It is possible to get current at the rate of 4 pies per unit, and if special attempts are made it may be possible to persuade Tatas to give current at the rate of 3 pies per unit for this industry. But in any case we can assume the 4 pies per unit rate to be a sure rate for our calculations.

Details Of Cost

One of the important items of cost in manufactures of caustic soda is the cost of drums in which it is carried. But if the market is near by as in the case of Bombay it will be possible to use returnable drums thus saving in the cost to the consumers. Thus two special advantages of Bombay will be, (1) that it will be possible to sell a good deal of the caustic soda produced as 50 per cent. solution, and (2) returnable drums. These two items alone will reduce the price of caustic soda appreciably and effect a great saving to the consumers. The manufacturing cost worked per ton of caustic soda is as follows:—

	Total cost. Rs.
Raw materials.	
(1) Salt 1.75 tons	10-8-0
(2) Purification cost	2-0-0
(3) Electric Current, 3,000 Units	60-0-0
(4) Supplies and renewals	28-0-0
(5) Water, steam, etc.	4-0-0
(6) Labour	9-0-0
Total About	110-0-0

For this amount we get one ton of caustic soda and 0.85 tons of chlorine. So debiting half the cost to caustic soda and half to chlorine we get the cost of manufacturing caustic soda at Rs. 55 a ton in the form of 8 per cent. solution, while the manufacturing cost per ton of chlorine amounts to Rs. 65. This caustic soda should be concentrated in vacuum pans in order to obtain 50 per cent. caustic soda and the cost of this 50 per cent. caustic soda solution will be as follows:—

	Rs.
(1) Cost of 1 ton of Caustic Soda (9 p.c. solution)	55-0-0
(2) Steam 7 tons	20-0-0
(3) Water	2-0-0
(4) Power 100 units at 4 pies per unit	2-0-0
(5) Supplies	10-0-0
(6) Labour	2-0-0
Total Rs.	91-0-0

Cost Of Chlorine

So the cost of 50 per cent. solution of caustic soda amounts to Rs. 91-0-0 and including the overhead charges and depreciation will amount to Rs. 100 per ton. At present soap industry and other industries are paying about Rs. 200 per ton for the caustic soda used by them. So the manufacture of the caustic soda will greatly lower the sale price and can give very

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

CRISIS IN FRANCE

It appears from a Reuter message, M. Blum is due to face very serious difficulties in the French Parliament. Even normally the task of a Premier at the head of Radical-Socialist-Communist coalition is by no means easy. But it would be a pity, indeed, if the present Government fell in the present circumstances. M. Blum is reported to have deplored the demands of "my supporters". If he is correctly reported he is wrong. The demands are not exactly impossible. As M. Jouhaux asks: "Ten thousand million francs were recently available for purposes of death. Are there no funds for the living?" And Jouhaux is very far indeed from being a "Red". The fact is that it is the Radicals who are making the burden of power intolerable by their opposition which, in the present circumstances, amounts to cynical blackmailing. For, the fall of Blum would be a tragedy both for France and Europe. It will give a fillip to International Fascism the consequences of which one shudders to contemplate.

CONGRESS SOCIALISTS

In her presidential address at the Gujerat Congress Socialist Party Conference held at Dohad Shrimati Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya paid a deserved tribute to the work of the Party and its loyal support to the Congress. The Congress Socialists have been particularly helpful in establishing more points of contact between the Congress and the masses and in combating communalism. They can do a great deal more in these directions by organisational and other constructive work among the masses, particularly in rural areas. It is only solid constructive work that has induced and will continue to induce the millions of poor workers and peasants to stand by the Congress through thick and thin. Such work naturally appeals to them a great deal more than mere theories on different kinds of Socialism.

PUNJAB LEAGUERS' DUTY.

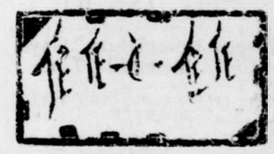
We published yesterday statements of Muslims from various Provinces which constitute a revealing commentary on Mr. M.A. Jinnah's policy and claims. More significant still is the news that the general body of the Punjab Provincial Muslim League has resolved "to recommend to the All-India Muslim League that the goal of the League should be 'the attainment of Complete Independence' for India." This is a symptomatic response which, we dare say, Mr. Jinnah will ignore for such a change will strike at the very 'raison d'etre' of what is called the "All-India Muslim League." The Punjab Leaguers' recommendation will, of course, not be accepted. But their duty is clear. Since their creed is identical with that of the Congress, they do not need a separate political identity for themselves. In fact, it is their duty to join the Congress. This, of course, is not to suggest that Muslims may not have their own organisations and groups strictly limited to their special social and cultural problems.

RAILWAY INQUIRY BOYCOTT

It is extremely regrettable that Mr. Giri and other Labour leaders should have been compelled to refuse to participate in the B. N. Railway Inquiry. But it is very evident from the long statement they have issued in this matter, that this was the only honourable course open to them. The procedure adopted by the Enquiry Officer is open to various grave objections and there is a vital difference on the very fundamental question of the terms of reference. The labour leaders feel that the erroneous interpretation put upon the terms by the Inquiry Officer excludes the possibility of our submitting evidence to substantiate the allegations made by Mr. Giri on the floor of the Assembly." Not only this, but they definitely accuse the officer of having formed his opinions on certain issues even before the inquiry started! It is obvious that the present boycott materially vitiates the value of the inquiry and Government ought to reconsider the whole position and properly amplify the terms of reference. From the very beginning the authorities have bungled in dealing with the strike and it is to be hoped that the situation will not be allowed to worsen at least at this stage.

TRAINING VILLAGE WORKERS.

We would draw the attention of all those interested in rural uplift to the Training School for Village Workers, which is organised by the All-India Village Industries Association and which will commence work at Wardha on 1st July, 1937. The school will provide instruction, at present, in five industries, paddy-husking and grinding, paper-making, oil pressing, date-palm gur making and bee-keeping, each student taking up only one of the five subjects. The course will last for twelve months of which two will be spent in village uplift centres for practical study and the medium of instruction will be Hindustani. Tuition and lodging will be free and mess charges will be about Rs. 7 per month. Further particulars will be had from the Secretary, Training School Committee, Maganwadi, Wardha. Every district should have an association for the promotion of village industries, and every such association should have the assistance of at least one person duly trained in the work of organising selected village industries. The Wardha school should be a great help in this essential work



AUTONOMY OR AUTOCRACY?

What Man-In-The-Street Wants To Know Of India Act.

—Headlines to Gandhiji's Answer.

But the India Act is not meant for the man-in-the-street, who is too unlettered to read it and too poor to be benefited by it.

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According to Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar the Poona Satyagraha is not a Democratic Swaraj Party question, but has been launched under the auspices of the Hindu Mahasabha.

We are relieved. We were getting just a wee-bit anxious about our Finance Minister.

And we do hope nobody remembers that the Democratic Swaraj Party is affiliated to the Hindu Mahasabha.

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"Mr. Jinnah," says Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman, "has been carried away by half-truths....."

Half-truths, on their part, may justifiably complain that they are sinned against rather than sinning.

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The U. P. Muslim League leader "has no doubt that he (Mr. Jinnah) will be sorry for having made some extravagant statements."

Mr. Khaliquzzaman should be dismissed from the Muslim League with ignominy for indulging in lese majeste.'

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Moulvi Sir Md. Yakub—yes that's the name though, why he is a "Moulvi" is as unknown as why he is a Knight, is well known. So Moulvi Sir Md. Yakub, Knight by the grace of a discriminating Government, has issued his own contribution on the subject of Muslims and the Congress.

It is an elegant and entertaining contribution, the one and important merit of which, however, is that it constitutes an assurance of the fact that the Congress Caravan passes on.

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We need not go into details about the Moulvi Sahib—who, somehow, has blossomed forth into a fairly good writer of English, which we regard as a miracle of Knighthood—or his statement. As he himself says, the Congress press "literally makes mountains of molehills." We will, therefore, leave him and his statement alone.

(ANSWER TO JUNIOR COLLEAGUE:—No, we are naturally not quite sure, but we think that the Moradabad Knight's "Molvi" is not derived from mole, nor does it mean pertaining to or coming from a molehill).

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By the way, we want to offer a bit of valuable advice to Sir Md. Yakub, and we do not even ask for thanks for it.

It is this: Let him forward copies of his statement along with this comment to Sir Harry Haig, Sir Henry Craik, etc. It will prove most useful in confronting "the realities of worldly life and the hard facts of the struggle for existence," of which Molvi Sahib is so anxiously conscious.

(JUNIOR COLLEAGUE: Please may I add something to this?

WE: No, you may not.

Molvi Saheb's gallant and knightly nerves have already been sorely tried by "emotional young men" and their "frantic ideas of freedom.")

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The British Government will issue on April 29 a 100 million sterlings worth of National Defence Bonds at 99-1/2, bearing 2-1/2 per cent. interest for financing the Defence Programme.

In other words at 99-1/2 human lives bearing 2-1/2 times the consolidated misery and havoc of all past war as interest

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"Naples, April 25.—General Goering is leaving to-night for Rome and is having an important conversation with Signor Mussolini to-morrow."

Agenda:—

(1) A joint telegram—to be jointly repudiated, if discovered—to Franco, ordering him to stick it and

(2) Concerted measure for another drive through Central Europe for establishing the hegemony of international Fascism.

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Said the judge to the plaintiff in a compensation case: "Now show the court the effects of the accident upon you."

The plaintiff got up and, with infinite pain, hobbled across the floor.

"And now," continued the judge, "show us how you used to move *before* the accident."

Plaintiff took a hop, skip and jump across the court.

Basque Capital, A Blazing Mass Of Ruins

HUNDRED CIVILIANS KILLED

BILBAO, April 27.

Guernica, the ancient capital of Basque country was entirely blotted out and a hundred Civilians killed as a result of three-and-half hours of continuous air bombardment alleged to have been made by German 'planes.

The town is a blazing mass of ruins.—Reuter.

MADRID HEAVILY BOMBARDED

MADRID, April 26.

The City suffered a further heavy bombardment. Shells fell haphazard in streets and squares. The number of killed and wounded is believed to be considerable. A big explosion occurred near the Cortes building.—Reuter.

REBELS STOP BRITISH STEAMER

GIBRALTAR, April 27.

The British steamer "Great Hope" proceeding from Gibraltar to Antwerp was stopped by Insurgent armed trawlers a few hours after leaving Gibraltar, according to a reliable authority.

"Great Hope" arrived at Gibraltar yesterday morning from Valencia. —Reuter.

15 Persons Killed In To-day's Bombardment

MADRID, April 27.

It is estimated that ten to fifteen persons were killed and about fifty injured in to-day's bombardment which stopped in the afternoon when Government air-force which had been hitherto busy on the Basque front bombed insurgent batteries.—Reuter.

Large Number Of Wounded Rebels Brought To San Sebastain

HENDAYE, April 27.

The insurgent wireless claims that the advance of the Basque territory continues and insurgents have occupied the town of Verriz, 3 miles East of Durango, and the heights Corredieta which command Ermua.

Reports from San Sebastian reaching frontier State that hospitals in San Sebastian and the District are unable to accommodate great numbers of wounded insurgents brought back.

Public buildings and private houses have been turned into auxiliary hospitals.—Reuter.

VALENCIA SHELLED FROM SEA

Four Killed And Several Injured

VALENCIA, April 27.

Valencia was shelled for half an hour from the sea this morning, probably by cruisers lying off shore in fog. The casualties are unknown, but there was some damage done.

Four were killed and a number injured in the bombardment.—Reuter.

Heavy Damage To Madrid

MADRID, April 27.

To-day's communique records that there were considerable casualties and much damage in last night's bombardment.—Reuter.

OVER THOUSAND BOMBS DROPPED

Machine Gun Fire On Fleeing People

GUERNICA, April 27.

It is estimated that over a thousand high explosive bombs in addition to incendiary bombs and handgrenades were dropped on the city during the air raid.

The exact number of dead is still not ascertainable but it includes many women and children. Hundreds of people who escaped to the fields were systematically followed and subjected to machine-gun fire from the air. The raid lasted five and a half hours after which firemen and salvage workers were helpless as the whole town was ablaze and most of the streets were impassable. Fifty women and children were trapped and incinerated in a bomb shelter. The burned out streets are paced continually by forlorn inhabitants seeking their relatives.

Many survivors slept on piles of their belongings in the open squares awaiting evacuation which the Basque Government is pushing on with full resources. The roads from the town are filled by streams of walking peasants and lines of lorries. All the Basque Ministers visited the town where rescue work is dangerous owing to continual falls of masonry.—Reuter.

INDO-BRITISH TRADE

Question In Commons

LONDON, April 27.

In the House of Commons Mr. Ellis Smith drew attention to the suggestions of the Chairman of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting with a view to improving trade relationships.

Mr. Runciman replied that he had seen an abridged account of the speech and assured the House that he was willing carefully to consider any proposals the Government of India might make, especially if they were likely to increase the trade of both countries. —Reuter.

"Great Hope" Resumes Voyage

GIBRALTAR, April 27.

"Great Hope" has resumed her voyage. The British cruiser "London" left Tangier in the morning and will be in the Straits of Gibraltar until "Great Hope" is clear. "Great Hope" is carrying fruit from Valencia to Antwerp.—Reuter.

"No Change Of Spirit Despite Transfer Of Authority"

INDIA WILL TEST BRITAIN AT IMPERIAL CONFERENCE, SAYS B. DAS

LONDON, April 27.

"India is disappointed with the personnel of her delegation to the next Imperial Conference," writes Mr. B. Das M.L.A., (Congress) to the "Manchester Guardian."

He adds: "One could have expected a different choice of personnel in view of the transfer of authority from the Secretary of State for India to the Governor-General. Unfortunately there is no change of spirit in the administration of Indian affairs. India, pre-occupied over the constitutional Deadlock, is anxious to test Britain regarding the degree of liberty she allows India at the Imperial Conference and other international spheres.

WHY NO NON-OFFICIALS.

"India's delegation to the Conference required a complement of non-officials. "Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Mr. G. D. Birla and Seth Kasturbhai Lalbhai command the confidence of the commercial community and the general public. If the Government had a sense of proportion these could have been chosen delegates with official representatives. India recognises Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas as a great authority on India's overseas questions. Who can discuss better than he the status of Indians overseas? We in India shall judge Britain by the treatment India is accorded at the Imperial Conference. If India's problems receive fair attention and India's status as an Independent unit of the British Commonwealth is recognised it will go a long way to strengthen the bonds of friendship and restore goodwill between Britain and India."—Reuter.

In The Run For Sind Speaker's Chair

KARACHI April 27.

Three nominations for the post of speakership have been received: namely, Sheikh Abdul Majid, Pir Ilahi Bux and Mr. Bhoj Singh Pahlajani.—A. P.

NEED FOR RADICAL PROGRAMME

Mere Declaration Of Famine Condition Won't Do

Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, who was to have proceeded to Lahore for a short tour of the Punjab from Dohad, returned to Bombay on Tuesday morning and left for Mangalore the same evening. She looked much run down in health and has been advised complete rest in a cooler climate. She, therefore, has been compelled to cancel all her appointments.

While in Dohad, where she presided over the Gujarat Provincial Congress Socialist Conference, she toured some of the worst affected parts of the famine-stricken area and was visibly moved when asked about the condition there.

"Mere declaration of famine conditions in the affected area today when the rains are only about a month ahead, will not solve the distress and destitution of the people whose faces are sunk and furrowed by blank despair. Famine in these areas is chronic and calls for more radical and enduring treatment. The least that should be done to bring any real relief is remission of land revenue for five years, declaration of a moratorium on debts and revision settlement," she said.

ANOTHER "ROUND THE WORLD" FLIGHT

Amelia Earhart's New Venture

NEW YORK, April 27.

Amelia Earhart disclosed that she is starting on an attempt of another "round the world" flight from Burbank (California) by May 1.—Reuter.

TO BEAT BROOK'S RECORD

Australian Airman Takes Off From Darwin

DARWIN, April 27.

The Australian Airman, H. G. Broadbent, took off at 6-45 a.m. (G.M.T.) on an attempt to beat Brook's Australia England record.—Reuter.

SOUVENIR PROGRAMME OF CORONATION

LONDON: April 27.

A Souvenir Programme of the Coronation drawn up under the auspices of King George's Jubilee Trust will be available to the public throughout the Empire to-morrow. In order to meet the Empire demand, it has been necessary to prepare no fewer than twelve separate editions. This fact was revealed by the Duke of Gloucester, who, as Chairman of King George's Jubilee Trust, presided at a luncheon at St. James' Palace to celebrate the publication of the Programme.

LINK OF EMPIRE.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald thanking the Duke of Gloucester for presiding said that the British monarchy was never more firmly rooted than to-day in the soil of British democracy.

During the past quarter of a century the Crown had achieved new and greater significance. One of the changes which has been taking place is the growth of freedom throughout the Empire. The Dominions are partners with Britain in the Commonwealth of free and equal nations and during the process of change many old constitutional ties between the Dominions and this country have been broken. But one firm constitutional link remains—the Crown. The Crown is the symbol of the free association of the people of the Commonwealth.—Reuter.

French Chamber To Debate On General Policy

PARIS, April 27.

The Cabinet agreed to a chamber debate on the general policy on April 30.

It is learned that there is no question of launching a special loan of hundred million sterling for financing a scheme of public works as demanded by the French Trade Union Congress.—Reuter.

JOBLESS OLD MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

An old Hindu named Bhaishanker Tuljaram (52) residing at Dadiseth Agiyari Lane was found dead on Tuesday afternoon.

His body was removed to the Morgue.

It appears that the deceased was tired of unemployment and had committed suicide.

LONDON, April 27.

At Saunton William Sutton, the English Golf Champion of 1929 beat Tolley, three and one. —Reuter.

CONGRESS CABINET PLANS PROGRAMME OF ACTION

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Bhawan this morning at 8 a.m. It is understood, having devoted the whole of yesterday's sitting to elaborate exchange of views about the present deadlock with leaders of the Provincial Congress Assembly parties, the Committee will be concerned to-day with outlining the course of action on the part of Congress in view of the new situation with which the country is confronted.

The reply given by Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary of State for India, in the House of Commons yesterday, which has appeared in morning papers, is interrpreted in Congress circles here as a definite reluctance to make a move for bridging the gulf between the Congress and Government and is welcomed by the Leftists on the Working Committee who think that it will now be possible for them to persuade the Working Committee to adopt positively an aggressive programme for dealing with the present impasse.

Exactly, what form this programme should take, that is to say, whether the Congress parties in at least six majority provinces should assemble at their respective provincial headquarters and style their meetings as regular sitting of the Assembly session, elect their own speaker and transact legislative business—and all these in defiance of the provincial governors who are refusing to summon meetings of legislative assemblies, despite request to that effect from the leaders of Majority parties—will be indicated in details in the resolution which the Working Committee is going to adopt by this afternoon.—United Press

BUTLER'S STATEMENT BEFORE COMMITTEE

ALLAHABAD: April 27.

The Working Committee adjourned at 12 noon to meet again at 2 p.m. when the Provincial Assembly Leaders will also join the deliberations.

The Committee is understood to have devoted the whole of the morning to consideration of Mr. Butler's statement in the House of Commons yesterday. Along with this statement, it is reported, were also considered other statements and pronouncements by British statesmen from time to time, since the negotiations between the Governors and the Congress leaders broke down.

UNAMBIGUOUS DECISION.

According to a prominent leader, the Working Committee is giving the most careful consideration to the various statements, particularly Mr. Butler's latest statement and, therefore, the Committee is not likely to come to any conclusions to-day. Informed circles believe that the Committee will adopt its resolution on the subject in unambiguous terms making its position absolutely clear.

In reply to a request by the Associated Press asking for his comments on Mr. Butler's statement, Mahatma Gandhi declined to say anything at this stage. The correspondent was asked to take a chance to-morrow.—A.P.

"BUTLER'S STATEMENT CUTS NO ICE"

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

"All I can tell you is that Mr. Butler's statement in the House of Commons yesterday has not cut ice with our Committee. Indeed it has not eased the situation in the least so far as Congress is concerned." Thus declared a prominent member of the Congress Working Committee, after the morning sitting of the Committee was adjourned at 11-30 a.m. to reassemble at 2 p.m.—United Press.

MAHATMA AGAINST HASTENING CRISIS

But Jawahar Urges More Aggressive Tactics?

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

It is understood that in the whole of the morning sitting the Committee devoted to the chalking out of the Congress programme to be followed with reference to the constitutional deadlock.

Mahatma Gandhi is reported to have suggested that Congress parties in the provincial legislatures would for the present content themselves with the adoption of such tactics as would make interim Ministers appear unresponsive to the important popular demands. He would not desire the Congress to adopt any course of action immediately, which might precipitate a crisis forcing the Congress to launch on another Civil Disobedience Movement.

But Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is reported to have favoured the immediate adoption of a more aggressive tactics which would compel the Governors to dissolve the Assemblies and seek another mandate from the electors.

Discussions had not crystallised into any definite formula when the Committee adjourned for lunch.—United Press.

CONFIDENCE IN MAHATMA

Gandhiji To Draft Resolution

ALLAHABAD: April 27.

The Working Committee had another three hours' discussion on the Constitutional Deadlock and the various statements of British statesmen including Mr. Butler's pronouncement in the House of Commons yesterday. Mr. Butler's statement appears to have produced varying reactions on Congress leaders assembled here. Some regard it as some kind of gesture, while others are taking it to mean nothing substantial.

GANDHIJI TO DRAFT RESOLUTION

Members have had thorough discussion on the various aspects of the question and have now left it to Gandhiji to draft a suitable resolution. Gandhiji is now consulting members individually and severally.

In view of the situation created by Mr. Butler's statement the deliberations of the Working Committee are expected to be prolonged. The Committee, which was expected to conclude its sitting here at the latest by Wednesday afternoon, is expected now to sit till Thursday and according to member it will be lucky if the Committee concludes its work by Thursday evening.

CONFIDENCE IN GANDHIJI

At this afternoon's sitting Provincial Leaders again joined the Committee and expressed their opinion on Mr. Butler's statement. Certain members expressed doubt whether all the statements and pronouncements so far made by British statesmen would help in clearing the situation. but all are optimistic that Mahatma Gandhi will ultimately draft an appropriate resolution. All are now anxiously awaiting Mahatma Gandhi's draft which is not expected to be ready till late to-night.

After an interval of half an hour for tea, the Committee resumed its sitting at 6 p.m. and will continue till about 10 at night.—A. P.

ALL NOT WELL WITH WALL-STREET

Collapse Of American Commodities And Its Sequel

NEW YORK, April 27.

Belief that "some adverse development is overhanging Wall Street" was showed yesterday in the extent to which pessimism had gone on the Stock Exchange, which broke badly following the collapse of American commodities under heavy American Foreign selling.—Reuter's Special.

WHITEHOUSE DENIES IT

WASHINGTON, April 27.

The Whitehouse has denied the report that President Roosevelt is planning to make a statement regarding gold.

According to the Department of Commerce's information, gold now coming to the United States is used increasingly to build up foreign bank balances, whereas for the three-quarter of last year, it was used almost exclusively for the purchase of American Securities.

A vast army of American Civil Service employees exceeding half a million, will henceforth be enjoined from speculating on stocks, bonds and commodities as distinguished from "bonafide" investment—such is the interesting significance of a letter from President Roosevelt to the President of the Civil Service Commission. —Reuter's Special.

"Viceroy Of India" For Repairs

MARSEILLES, April 27.

The "Viceroy of India," which recently landed its passengers here, is going to Malta for the repairs necessitated by the grounding in the Suez Canal, because the P. and O. are doubtful when the repairs will be completed here owing to agitation among shipyard workers.—Reuter.

ALLEGED GERMAN SPY FOUND INNOCENT

LONDON, April 27.

Otto Karl Ludwig, alleged German Spy, was discharged, the Director of Public Prosecutions having decided to offer no evidence against him. The prosecution stated that Ludwig had in his possession a series of blue-prints dealing with armour piercing bullet. He was, however, in possession of these plans quite innocently.—Reuter.

New Security Pact For Western Europe?

Great Conformity Between British And Belgian View-Points

BRUSSELS: April 27.

On the conclusion of the Anglo-Belgian conversations, M. Spaak read a Communique stating that Mr. Eden, M. Van Zeeland and he had examined the principal problems of the moment of mutual concern, especially questions relating to the strengthening of European peace and particularly, the elaboration of a new Pact of Security for Western Europe; also economic questions connected with the mission with which M. Van Zeeland was recently entrusted.

Great Conformity

He added that the discussions, which did not amount to negotiations, took place in a particularly cordial atmosphere and enabled the great conformity between the British and Belgian viewpoints to be noted.

Mr. Eden returns to London this afternoon.—Reuter.

UNITING FACTOR FOR AVOIDING WAR

Eden Wants More Positive Programme

RUGBY: April 27

The Foreign Secretary, Mr Eden, whose visit to Brussels concluded this afternoon, was the guest of honour at a dinner at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs last night. In his speech Mr. Eden said that every section of his fellow countrymen would appreciate the further testimony provided by the welcome he had received to the enduring friendship which united Belgium and Great Britain. M Vanzeeland, M. Spaak and he had had many experiences in common

UNITING FACTOR.

Perhaps the factor that united them most closely and more naturally was that they all belonged to the War generation. It was impossible for any Englishman of that generation returning to Belgium to fail to recall the experiences of those days. The lesson learned by those of them who were survivors was surely that the first task of statesmanship was to ensure that mankind was never again subjected to order such as or worse than that which they had endured. Influences now at work should aid them in realising their ambition. The French Foreign Minister had shared the same war experiences. The Chancellor of the Reich had been serving as a soldier in a front line trench and the same was true of other countries.

WANTED MORE POSITIVE PROGRAMME

Many believed that recent months had hown some alleviation of international tension. It was surely remarkable that the nations had been aole to agree on a policy of non-intervention in Spain and the elaborate method for its international supervision. Nothing on such a scale had ever before been attempted much less realised. Yet if world was to pass from a period of avoiding war to one of creating peace some more positive programme must be found Preparation must be thorough even elaborate.

It was a source of very real gratification to the British Government that M. Vanzeeland had felt able to undertake a delicate and exploratory mission with a view to increasing economic collaboration between the nations.—B. O. W.

BOMBAY M. L. A. SENT TO JAIL

Defiance Of Poona Temple Ban And Its Sequel

POONA, April 27.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar, whip of the Democratic Swaraj Party in the Bombay Legislative Assembly and Mr. S. V. Modak, Secretary, Democratic Party, Satara, were sentenced this afternoon by the Additional City Magistrate under the District Police Act to one month's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 in default three weeks further imprisonment on charge of breach of the Magistrate's order prohibiting music in Sonya Maruti temple.

The accused along with ten others were arrested on Sunday for alleged contravening of the order by sounding temple bells or symbals.

Six others arrested on the same day were fined Rs. 50 each and in default three weeks imprisonment.—A. P.

Four More Arrests

Laxman Shastri Joshi, Principal of the Sanskrit College at Wai was examined for two and half hours to-day on behalf of the Defence on the question of Hindu worship. Joshi explained at length the ritualistic Hindu worship and all its paraphernalia and supported the defence contention that the sounding of bells was a necessary and integral part of worship.

The Satyagraha was continued to-day at the Sonya Maruti temple and four people were arrested in the morning. The police "bandobast" continues.—A. P.

Sholapur Support To Poona Temple Agitation

SHOLAPUR, April 27.

A batch of volunteers under the lead of Mr. V. R. Patil, a local Democratic leader, is to be sent to Poona, according to the decision of the Executive of the Local Hindu Sabha, which met this evening and passed a resolution according full support to the Poona Sonya Maruti temple agitation.—A.P.

Poona Arrests Total 28

POONA, April 27.

Two more were arrested at the Sonya Maruti shrine bringing the total to six and since Sunday to 28.—A.P.

FLOOD MENACE TO ONTARIO

ONTARIO, April 27.

Floods, the worst for the last 40 years, are pouring over the concrete breakwater guarding the city.

It has driven 6,000 people from their homes and thousands more are marooned in endangered homes, owing to the absence of boats. Refugees fled through the streets blacked out by electricity failure with the clothes on their backs as the only possession.

Ironically, a water famine threatens the remaining inhabitants, all artesian wells being flooded. The troops have been rushed to the city.—Reuter's Special.

RIVER OHIO RISES

NEW YORK, April 27.

Following continuous rains, floods are again threatening parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland and West Virginia which have still not completely recovered from the disastrous flood of January.

Further damage is expected as the Ohio river rises to its crest. Virginia suffered six deaths and untold damage. Thousands of families are prepared to evacuate the basins of the Potomac and James rivers, where the cities in darkness are partially isolated.—Reuter's Special.

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MEHERALLY OFFERS SOCIALIST PROGRAMME AS RADICAL REMEDY

After many years of neglect, the question of the organisation of the Indian Peasants is now very much to the fore. During the last three years, particularly since the Congress Socialist Party had started functioning effectively, the attention of the country has been increasingly focussed upon the rights and grievances of the Indian peasant.

We owe in this connection, the country also owes a special debt of gratitude to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, whose whirlwind tours among the peasant masses have done much to bring a new consciousness of awakening, said Mr. Y. J. Meherally, delivering his presidential address at Godhra Peasants' Conference on Tuesday evening.

Proceeding Mr. Meherally said:

The importance of organising the peasantry in a predominantly peasant country like India needs no stressing, according to the Census figures of 1931 no less than 73.9 per cent of the population of our country is dependent upon agriculture, as against only 10.6 per cent in the mining and industry and 7.1 per cent in transport and trade.

AFTER 180 YEARS OF BRITISH RULE.

You will thus see that among the principal countries of the world, India has the highest percentage of these engaged in agriculture and the lowest percentage of those employed in industries, transport and trade. This is serious enough, but it is not the whole story. One hundred and eighty years of British rule has brought about a continuous decline of Indian trades and industries with the result that larger and larger sections of the people are being driven to the soil to eke out a precarious livelihood. If we study the figures for the past 50 years, the meaning becomes clear. In 1881, 58 per cent. of our people were dependent upon agriculture. In 1891, the figure was 62.06 per cent. In 1901 it has risen to 66.5 per cent. In the census of 1921 it pointed to 71.6 per cent, and in 1931 to 73.9 per cent.

These significant figures point to but one conclusion, and that is the condition of the Indian Cultivators is deteriorating year by year. The world economic crisis has made matter all the worse for him. The prices of agricultural produce have declined very much.

GROWING INDEBTEDNESS.

This pathetic condition is reflected in the growing indebtedness of the Indian peasant. The Central Banking Inquiry Committee computed the total agricultural debt of India at 900 crores of rupees. Of this, 100 crores were for Bengal, 120 crores for the United Provinces, 155 crores of Bihar an Orissa, 135 crores for the Punjab, 150 crores, for Madras and 81 crores for Bombay.

In evolving, a suitable programme for dealing with our peasant masses, we have to battle with three important factors. The first is the presence of the Zamindar, the second, the ravages of the money-lenders, and the third, the crushing burden of Government land revenue. A programme that fails to take into account these three fundamental factors or any one of them is bound to be defective to that extent.

THE ZAMINDAR.

The Zamindar is now an anachronism. From no point of view can his existence be defended. He discharges no useful functions contributes nothing to the improvement of the land, and by extorting a toll impoverishes the peasant. "Land to the Peasant" should be our slogan, and this we must make the central plank of our agitation.

THE MONEY-LENDER.

The money-lender has shown himself equal to the occasion in exploiting the desperate condition of the cultivator. A large part of the land is passing into his hands as the peasant is not even able to pay interest, much less the principal. The agricultural debt has now reached such proportions that liquidation appears to be the only remedy. The Government itself seems to be feeling impressed with this argument and have already set up debt conciliation courts, where efforts are made to reduce peasant indebtedness without elaborate court proceedings but the situation has become so serious that mere palliatives and half-hearted measures will not serve any appreciable purpose. The only remedy is immediately relieving the peasant of his burden of debt.

LAND REVENUE SYSTEM.

I shall not take up your time on the question of land revenue, as most Indian economists of the note have condemned this system as harsh and unjust. It has been admitted that land revenue is the principal cause of the Cultivator's debt. Moreover, the system is so inelastic that though the prices of agricultural produce have reduced by 1/2 or even 1/3 of what they used to be, the State's share of land revenue, as a few grudging remissions here and there, has remained the same.

OUR IMMEDIATE PROGRAMME.

The study of the situation clearly shows that matters are now reaching a breaking-point. The peasant is filled with a vast discontent. It is for us to see that this discontent is harnessed to proper channels. The remedy is clear. We must undertake the organisation of the peasantry on a programme that reflects their immediate day-to-day grievances. On a programme that is modest enough to be practicable, but is, at the same time, drastic enough to be comprehensive The programme of the Congress Socialist Party clearly falls into this category. It is the abolition of the intermediaries between the State and the actual cultivator of the soil, the liquidation of the whole agricultural debt and the arrears of land revenue, and the scrapping of the present land revenue system and its substitution by a graduated income-tax on agricultural incomes over Rs. 500 a year. These may appear to be radical measures, but nothing short of these will create lasting benefits.

GARDEN OF INDIA.

Your own province occupies a very peculiar position. Gujarat has been called the garden of India, with its many rivers, fertile soil and commercial crops. It certainly occupies a more privileged position than several other less favoured provinces in our country. The Gujarat peasant has traditions of fight or which he may well be proud, for it was the Bardoli peasant that gave the inspiring slogan of "No Tax". The whole country thrilled at their exploits, their suffering and their heroic resistance. But I cannot help remarking that in this very province there are lakhs of poor peasant whose status is no better than that of serfs. Who has not heard of the Dublas and their unfortunate condition?

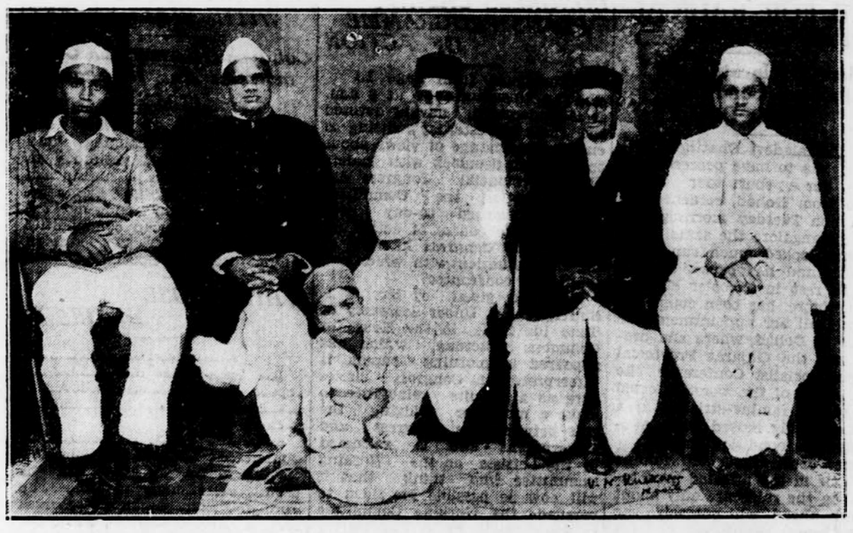
Pauperisation of the peasantry has also begun here. We have atleast two carefully made studies of Matar Taluka, made by Professors Kumarappa and Narharibhai Parikh, as also of Professor Mukhtear for a part of the Balsar Taluka. These and other reports confirm the data that agricultural indebtedness is growing and that more and more land is passing out of the hands of the peasants, and that in certain areas the yield from the land is not sufficient even to pay land revenue. It is to be estimated that no less than 55 per cent. of the peasantry are landless.

If this is the prevalent condition in a province that is said to be rich, what must be elsewhere might be easily conjectured. Of all parts of Gujarat, the Panchmahals district is the most unfortunate. Famine conditions in one or other part of the district seem to have become chronic, and practically every year of distress are heard. Even as I am speaking to you, famine in the most virulent form is there, and the plight, particularly, of the Bhil peasants is heart-breaking.

A. I. Convention Of Homoeopaths

BOMBAY, April 27.

Dr. H. N. Sinha informs the Associated Press that an emergent meeting of the Council of Homoeopaths will be held on May 5th at Gaya. The Council will consider the calling of an All-India Convention of Homoeopaths to be held at the end of May. All Homoeopaths and Executives of Councils are invited to attend the meeting of the Council or to send suggestions to Dr. Sinha, the President of the Council, Gaya, by May 5th.—A.P.



Mr. B. G. Kher, Leader of Congress Party in the Bombay Legislature, toured Nasik District last week for Congress propaganda. Photo shows him with the Congress M. L. A.'s of Nasik-West Division. From left to right are:—Mr. V. N. Naik, M.L.A.; Mr. G. H. Deshpande, M.L.A., President, Nasik D. C. C.; Mr. B. G. Kher, M.L.A.; Mr. R. G. Pradhan, M.L.C. and Mr. P. A. Nemani, M.L.A.

Jinnah Has Nothing In Common With Masses

Leadership Outside Congress Is Futile, Say U. P. Muslims

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, April 27.

A slashing reply to Mr. Jinnah has been given by the organisers of the U. P. Muslims Conference in a statement to your correspondent.

Dr. Ashraf, on their behalf, stated: "It is unfortunate after the bold and courageous leadership of the late Moulana Mohamad Ali and Shaikhul Hind, Mr. Jinnah should have chosen to court popularity with certain sections of Muslims, who are only too closely associated with social and political reaction. Political questions part, even on a primarily religious issue like the Khilafat Movement, Mr. Jinnah and his League did not move. Where was his League, when Muslims at Karachi suffered? How about this Palestine agitation? Does he utter a word about Waziristan? Has Mr. Jinnah ever identified himself with the suffering of Mussalmans? Some of us have concluded that Mr. Jinnah and his compeers are made of totally alien stuff, which has nothing in common with the masses."

"Congress on the other hand," said Dr. Ashraf, "is preparing the masses of Muslim and Hindus to fight the battle of economic and political freedom. Does Mr. Jinnah suggest that Muslims should go on treading the path of inaction?

"We are not less conscious of the rights and interests of Muslims than Mr. Jinnah, but we have learnt through bitter experience that

Muslim leadership outside Congress is futile if not dangerous and Muslim masses cannot any longer identify themselves with these upper class gentlemen and their theories of inactivity. Bonds of weak and futile leadership are bound to break and we are helping that process in U. P."

FRONTIER SITUATION

Civilian Lorries Attacked On Bannu-Razmak Road

SIMLA, April 27.

Scattered attacks on piquets and attempts to damage bridges and waterpipes continue to be reported from the Frontier. On the night of April 24th|25th, says a Press Communique, an enemy gang attempted to blow up a bridge on the Miranshah-Dattakhel Road near Boya in Tochi Valley. The gang was engaged and driven off by Khassadars, who were guarding the bridge. On the following night a gang attacked the Khassadar Piquet at Chalanai in the same area, but the Khassadars successfully repelled the attack.

LORRIES ATTACKED.

On the night of 24|25 the waterpipe line near Damdil was damaged by explosions, while in the afternoon of April 26 two civilian lorries were attacked between Damdil and Tal on the Bannu-Razmak Road. Details of this outrage are not yet available. The Faqir of Ipi, from the cave area near Arsalkot, continues his endeavours to enlist supports. The Urmarkhel sub-section of Nanakel Ahlozai Mahsuds have surrendered seven hostages as an earnest of future good behaviour. This sub-section was involved in the attack on the Tiarza Scouts post.

All was quiet at the Jaler and Tochi camps on the night of 25th-26th. Reconnaisance from the Jaler Camps towards Bicje Kashkai in the Lower Khaisora Valley was carried out without incident The Razmak Column carried out reconnaisance to Babar Sar Hill, four miles north west of Razmak and returned without opposition. The Mirali and Damdil areas are quiet. There has been no further casualties. There is nothing to report from South Waziristan, though gangs are still abroad in the neighbourhood of Manzai-Jandola-Sararogha Road

Details of casualties between April 10th and April 19th:—

Killed:—Naik Padam Ram, Sepoys Raghbir, Ram Hans, Saudagar Khan, Chuni, Parbhati Ram, Habib Khan, Madho, all of the 4|8th Punjab Regiment.

Wounded:—Driver Ram Singh, 30 (Independent) M. T. Section, R. I. A. S. C., Sepoys Chuni 4|8th Punjab Regiment, Fazli Din 3|7th Rajput Regiment. Follower (Barber), Saidulla, 4 Field Coy, Sappers and Miners.—A.P.

CIVIC SERVANTS AND ELECTIONS

Will Commissioner's Circular Apply To Schools Commitee Employees?

The Municipal School Committee discussed the question of the Committees employees' right to participate in the elections to the various legislative bodies, on Tuesday evening at the Corporation Hall.

A letter from the Municipal Commissioner dated April 8, stated that pressure had been brought to bear on chawl Superintendents and rent-collectors to use their influence with municipal tenants to vote for certain candidates during the last Assembly elections. "Canvassing in Municipal elections is expressly forbidden by the Municipal Servants' Conduct Rules and the Commissioner desires that the same principle should be followed in the case of elections to the various legislative bodies. Severe action will be taken against any municipal servant who is shown to have used his official position to secure votes for any candidate in such elections, whether in return for payments or without it".

While discussing the applicability of this circular to the employees of the Schools' Committee, Mr. R. A. Gole suggested that a subcommittee be appointed to decide the matter. Mr. M. V. Donde proposed an amendment that since there was nothing in the municipal rules preventing its employees from participating in Assembly elections, the Commissioner's letter be recorded. It was put to vote and passed.

The Viceroy will open the inaugural meeting of the Central Board of Public Health, which will take place on June 22.

JINNAH'S FAILURE

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who call themselves Musalmans, are struggling to retain leadership which is fast slipping away from their hands. They are afraid of the Congress establishing mass contact, for the moment it is done, these "friends" of India and Islam will stand fully exposed. The myths on which they have traded so long will be exploded; the masks will be torn off their faces. They talk glibly of protecting Islam, Urdu and Islamic culture, after having stood by for decades while the religion, culture and language were being crushed and destroyed under the onslaughts of Western civilisation. What is the language and culture of these great champions, if not English? And what is their religion? All that they have taught of the religion to the Muslim masses is confined to killing cows and objection to music. Egyptians, Turks and Persians have not ceased to be Muslims on account of their intense and burning patriotism. But our Jinnahs, Dehlavis and Shaukat Alies are angry and militant to-day simply because the Congress wishes to carry its message to Muslim masses who are, to the shame of their leaders, in the grip of poverty and ignorance. It is not so easy, as Mr. Jinnah imagines, for the Congress to induce Muslim masses to follow Congress leaders The masses are not "learned," but they know where their good lies and who can and will bring economic relief to them. It is not the mere talk about "Dal-Bhat," but "Dal-Bhat" itself which they want. Will these Knights and Khan Bahadurs of the League and Maulana Shaukatali have the courage to come forward and offer "Dal-Bhat"? If they cannot, as probably they will not offer even this poorest of food, the masses will be justified in disowning them.

Nadkarni Cup Football Tournament

DEWJEE'S KANARA XI ENTER SEMI-FINAL

Jolly Club 'A' Lose By Odd Goal After Close Fight

BOMBAY, April 27.

The first string of the Jolly Club went down, in the Quarter-final of the Nadkarni Cup Football Tournament, at the Cooperage, on Tuesday evening, to Dewjee's Kanara XI, by an odd goal in three. The winners have thus qualified for the semi-final round.

Immediately after the kick-off, Dewjee Kanara men broke away with a right-wing move and were the first to test the Jolly Club defence but soon after, Muni, the latter's centre-forward, got past the opposing backs only to hit the woodwork.

In the 6th minute, Pushparaj, Dewjee's Inside-left, gave his side an early lead, scoring a good goal, following a combined movement, in which the centre-forward and the Inside-right, had a share. This lead was short-lived as the Jolly Club forwards, who were working very hard for the equaliser, soon got it, after about five minutes, Muni, their centre-forward, levelling the score, off a timely pass by Gannon.

With the score at one goal all, it was now a ding-dong affair, neither side having any advantage over the other.

Thomas, Jolly Club's Inside-right, got possession of the ball from a throw-in near the centre-line flag and after successfully dodging past the opposing Left back, he made an opening for his wing, which the latter failed to convert.

A feature of the play at this stage were the defensive tactics adopted by the teams with the result that at half-time, they stood at level with the same score of one goal each to their credit.

'SAFETY-FIRST' TACTICS.

The second half again saw both the teams resorting to "safety-first" tactics and the half-backs were evidently content with defending their goal rather than feeding their forwards.

Dewjee's Kanaras were now playing one short as V. Mandon, their right-wing was hurt and had to be removed from the ground. After receiving a little medical-aid and having a few minute's rest, he entered the field again and was responsible for scoring the winning goal a little before the end. Mandon deserves credit for this goal which he scored from an acute angle despite the fact that he was hurt shortly before this. Later receiving a through pass from the centre-forward, the same player tested the Jolly Club goal-keeper once again.

Dewjee's Kanara XI retired from the field, winners by 2 goals to 1.

THE RESULT.

DEWJEE'S KANARA XI 2 goals.
JOLLY CLUB 'A' 1 goal.

THE TEAMS WERE:

DEWJEE'S KANARA XI: Sitaram; M. Mandon and Suvarna; Narayen, Salian and Kanchan; V. Mandon, Kunder, Shety, Pushparaj and B. Shetty.

JOLLY CLUB 'A': James; Hafiz and Paul; Kashiram, A. Gannon and Robert; Samuel, Thomas, Muni, Vydanda and Kadum.

THE REFEREE: Mr. Terry.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES:

At 4-30 p.m. Hanuman Vijay vs. Georgian Sporting 5-45 p.m. Bombay City vs. L. C. Sonkoli.

INDIANS IN ZANZIBAR

India Govt. To Ascertain Opinion On Proposed New Bills

(From Our Correspondent).

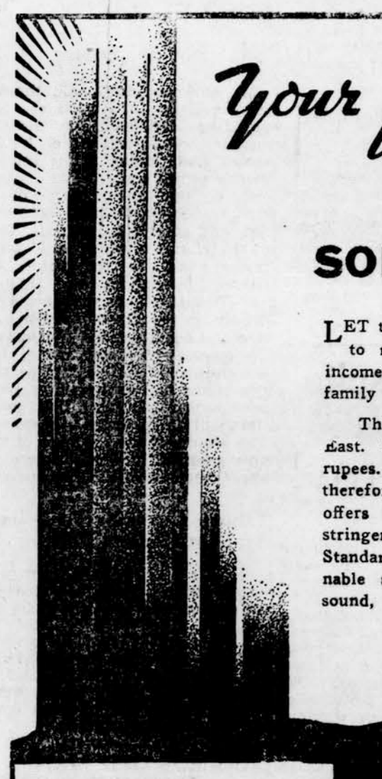
SIMLA, April 27.

It is understood that the Government of India are taking prompt action to ascertain detailed comment of Indian community in Zanzibar on the proposed new Bills.

Tagore Goes For Change

CALCUTTA: April 27.

Dr. Rabindranath Tagore who arrived here from Shantiniketan yesterday, will leave on April 29 for Almora for a change.—United Press.



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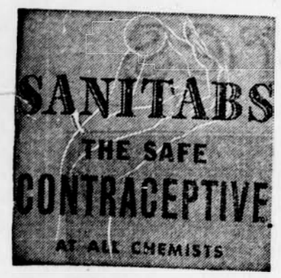

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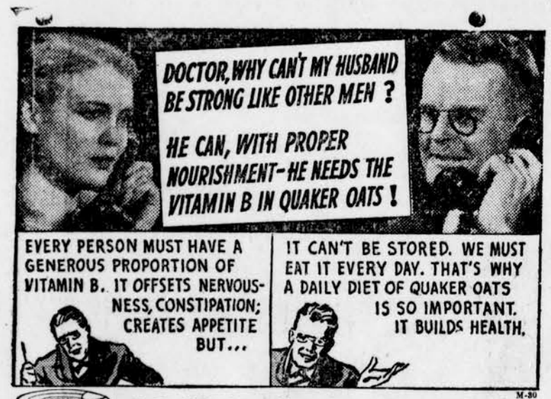
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On Eve Of Declaration Of Famine Conditions

COLLECTOR AND COMMISSIONER ASKED TO SUBMIT FACTS AND FIGURES

Head Of P. W. D. Attends Cabinet Meeting: Relief Works To Be Started Immediately

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Another prolonged sitting of the Bombay Cabinet was held today at the Bombay Secretariat, when Lord Brabourne, the Governor presided. Of the Council of Ministers, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta was not present, having gone on tour in the famine stricken areas.

Besides the three Ministers, the following heads of departments were present.

Sir Charles Turner, the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Mr. C. G. Freke, the Finance Secretary, Mr. E. W. Perry, Revenue Secretary, and Mr. T. A. Andrew, Secretary P.W.D. The meeting lasted from 11 a. m. till 1-15 p. m.

It is understood that after yesterday morning's sitting a "clear the line" message was sent to the Collector of Panchmahals and the Commissioner of the Division asking for facts and figures and their opinion about declaring the existence of famine conditions in the three talukas, namely Dohad, Godhra and Jalhod.

Before the Government actually make the declaration, they will have to go through certain preliminaries required by the Famine Relief Code of 1927.

The fact that Mr. Andrew was present at the meeting of the Cabinet shows that the Cabinet considered the question of starting further Relief work in these talukas, for which the P.W.D. has to give its fullest co-operation.

It is stated that the Cabinet considered the details of what works could be undertaken in those talukas, when the declaration is made by the Government and the expenses that have to be incurred in that connection.

The Cabinet is also stated to have considered the items under the heads "Irrigation" and "Road Development" with a view to take them on hand immediately. These two items come under the P.W.D Department.

While the Government is expected to make a statement either this evening or to-morrow regarding the Famine conditions in the Panchmahal District, a detailed statement of what the Government intend doing before it actually faces the Legislature, will be issued immediately after the arrival of Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, the Finance Minister.

White Sticks For The Blind

The Safety First Association of India writes:—

With the rapid advance in motor transport, there is not the least doubt that of all persons who held special protection on the road, the most important class is the unfortunate blind, who number over 600,000 in India. Under the conditions prevailing at present, there is nothing to distinguish them from pedestrians endowed with vision. The result is that motorists who rely on audible signals, instead of helping them in their difficulty, may only force them in front of other vehicles, with easily imaginable consequences.

Experience in Western countries has shown that the lives of blind people can be safeguarded if they are provided with something readily recognisable by the motorist, to enable him to avoid them without giving any warning likely to confuse them. It is for this reason the Safety First Association of India has suggested time and again that blind pedestrians be equipped with sticks painted white, so as to warn motorists, gharries and cyclists, of their presence on the road.

The white stick has now become more or less an international symbol to denote sightless people on the road, and is in evidence in many cities in France, Belgium, Morocco, Spain and the United States of America. Of the 64,000 registered sightless people in the United Kingdom, more than fifty per cent. carry this identifying symbol.

The Safety First Association of India, Bombay, appeals to all humanitarian undertakings in India to equip the blind with this lifebelt of the road and save them from the perils of modern road travel. As a mark of their co-operation, the Association will be prepared to paint white, free of cost, one thousand sticks. The finances of the Association unfortunately do not permit exceeding this limit, and individuals or organised bodies interested in the care and protection of the blind are requested to communicate with the Hon. Jt. General Secretary in the first instance to ensure that their requisition is within the limit before sending in their sticks.

TAXI-VICTORIA STRIKE PUT OFF FOR WEEK

Motor Vehicles Dept. Chief Considers Union's Demands

In connection with the proposal to declare One Day's Strike of the Taxi and Victoria Drivers throughout Bombay, made by the Bombay Taxi Drivers' Union to express the Drivers' resentment against the non-removal of private cars plying for hire in Bombay, the Hon. Gen. Secretary of the Union was called by the Superintendent, Motor Vehicles Department, who took down the demands of the Union and promised to do his best in the matter.

An emergent meeting of the Managing Committee of the Union was called on Sunday morning to decide what action to take in the matter of the proposed Strike

In view of the interview given by the Superintendent of Police on Wednesday to the Hon. Gen. Secretary of the Union and also the assurance that the Police Commissioner would be informed of the matter, the question of declaring the One Day's Strike in connection with Private Taxis was held over for a week.

The Associated Press understands that Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya will contest the seat rendered vacant by Pt. Pant's resignation from the Central Legislature. Pt. Pant represented Rohilkhand and Kumaun General Constituency.

MAYOR VISITS NAGPADA

Advises Youth To Take Active Part In Sports And Physical Exercises

The Finals of the Handicap Singles Tennis Tournaments were held on the Nagpada Neighbourhood House on Saturday evening between B. I. Jacob (40) and E. Samuel (Scr.), the latter winning in two straight sets taken at 8-6 and 6-2.

Dr. E. Moses, the Mayor of Bombay, distributed the Cups to the Winner and the Runner-up. In his presidential speech he laid great stress on the values accruing from healthy and well-organised games and sports.

Compulsory Medical Exam.

He said that medical examination of school children should be made compulsory so that it should help to eradicate the two major defects of the eyes and of malnutrition, from which most of the school children suffer greatly.

Appeal To Youths

He compared the average weight of the Punjabi school children which is 106 lbs with the Bengali children weighing 98 lbs. The difference of 10 lbs he said was due chiefly to defect in nutrition.

He paid a tribute to America as the pioneer country in physical education, having developed its games and sports to a very high standard of efficiency. He cited examples of other countries in the West fostering the cause of physical education thereby indicating how far we are lagging behind in physical culture and physical exercises, games and sports in comparison with the Occident.

To him it seemed that it would take two to three generations before India could attain a high standard of efficiency in sports and physical education. He appealed to the youths, who had turned up in large numbers to witness the finals, to take more active part in games, sports and physical exercises as they are the future nation-builders and future hopes of India.

The evening's function terminated with a vote of thanks to the Mayor. The mayor afterwards visited the Nagpada Neighbourhood House premises, the Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Works and the Sir J.J. Dharamsala of the District Benevolent Society of which he is a Committee Member.

HELPFUL TO COTTON INDUSTRY

Dr. Nazir Ahmed's Bulletin On Spinning Tests

The Secretary of the Indian Central Cotton Committee writes:

Dr. Nazir Ahmed, Director of the Technological Laboratory, Indian Central Cotton Committee, has written an interesting report (Technological Bulletin Series—A. No. 36) on spinning tests carried out on mixtures of staple fibres and Indian cottons. In the introduction it is pointed out that the past few decades have witnessed a large increase in the use of artificial fibres as a supplement to or substitute for natural fibres, in which rayon silk has held the first position. Rayon produced in short definite lengths called staple fibre, went up from 8 million pounds in 1931 to 21 million pounds in 1932 and then to 156 million pounds in 1935 which represented 15 per cent. of the total rayon output. This large increase is attributed to the fact that staple fibre possesses uniform length and cross section, it is clean and therefore there is very little waste and it does not adhere to the machine. But the more important reason is that it can be mixed and blended with cotton, wool, flex and silk and spun on the existing machines with some minor adjustments. The spinners, weavers, dyers and finishers can therefore produce a wide range of effects with it.

PRELIMINARY TESTS.

In view of the increasing importance of the staple fibre to the cotton textile industry some preliminary tests have been made using 3 types of staple fibre and 2 well-known varieties of Indian cotton.

The material used for the tests were:—(1) Cottons—two standard Indian cottons viz. Jayawant and Combodia Co. 2. (2) Staple fibres:—Three types of staple fibres A, B, and C were used. These were about 1.5 deniers per filament and their staple lengths ranged between 1.20" to 1.44". They were mixed with the cottons at the back of the first head of Draw Frame in the proportion of 1.2 and 2.1 and were spun into 20's and 30's counts with 3½ and 4 twist multiples, the pure cottons and the pure staple fibres also being spun in the same counts for purposes of comparison.

The bulletin can be had from the Secretary, Indian Central Cotton Committee, Vulcan House Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay at 8 annas per copy.

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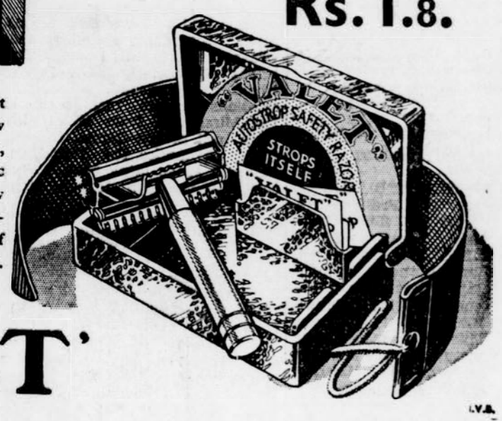

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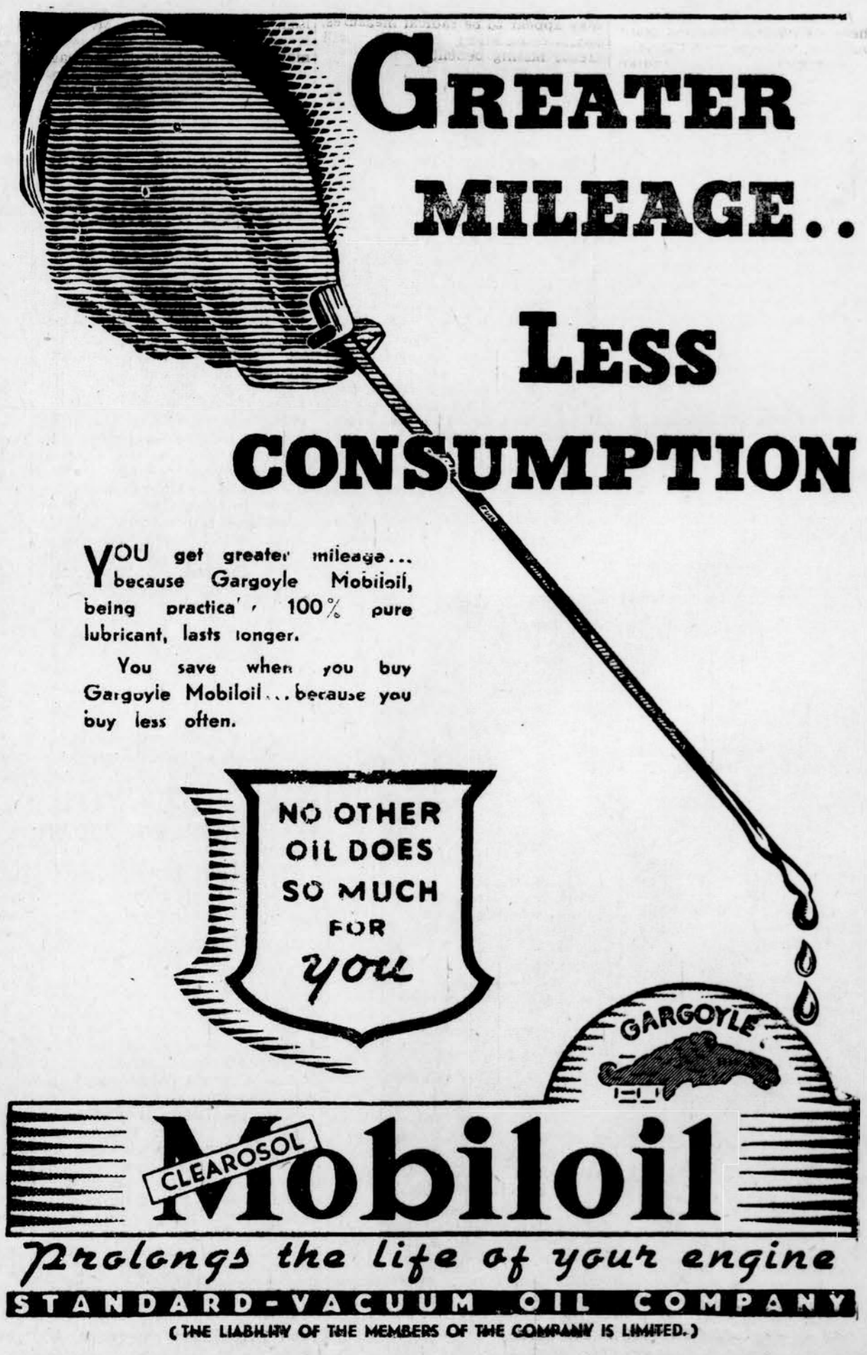
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Mainly About Motion Pictures

Kumari Usha in "Jawahar-e-Hind" to be Shown at the Wellington

"THE PRESIDENT"

5th Meritorious Week At The Krishna

(CONTRIBUTED).

Everywhere, "The President" a gem of film art and film-technique from New Theatres Ltd. is greatly admired and appreciated. Art-critics and authors, journalists and jay-writers have unanimously endorsed this picture as India's BEST that is produced till now. This great masterpiece of motion picture art—is drawing crowded houses at the Krishna Talkies, continuously since its release.

"The President" is not an ordinary theme as you will find in many an Indian picture. It is absolutely realistic remarkable—cleverly woven round a mill-worker's life. You see Prabhavati (Kamlesh Kumari)—the President of the Prabhavati Mills Ltd., working havoc in the mills. You see thousands of workers raiding mill-managers office. You see the thundering workers marching down the pavement for their rights. And above all you see a marvellous love drama cleverly blended with this mill atmosphere. You will, I am sure, feel that you are enjoying a class an extraordinary American picture. The noble theme most nobly treated by Director and Photographer Sjt. Nitin Bose.

Even the aristocrats of audience have showered flowers of praise on such grand success of Nitin Bose's artistic abilities. You see Saigal at his best and his song hits are remarkable. You will certainly fall in love with New Theatres' new find—charming Leela Desai working as Sheila—the younger sister of the President. There are Nawab, Jagdeesh B. A. Deobala and Bikram Kapoor

Music by R. C. Boral certainly demands special notice here. The recording is perfect and the whole picture is one and only picture in the town worth seeing.

Don't miss it. Go and see it at the Krishna.

CHIRANJEEVI

First Kannada Mythological Talkie

(From A Correspondent.)

The shooting of gorgeous Kailas the last setting of the above picture, which was in making for one month is finished and the picture is now in editing room. It is expected that it will be presented before the Board of Censors Bombay by the first of May.

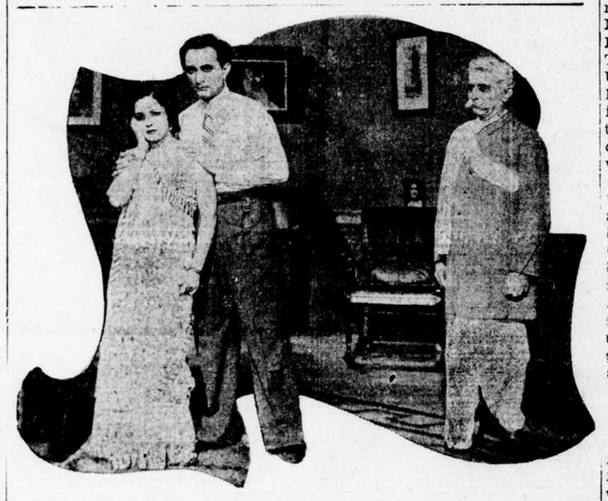
The distribution of the picture for Southern India including Mysore and Hyderabad States is given to Messrs. Famous Pictures, Kilari Road, Bangalore City. The picture is expected to be released in the second week of May in Bangalore, Mysore and Dharwar. Enormous arrangements are being made for the opening.

THE CAPITOL

Mid-Week Change Of Programme

Music and romance and drama, fused together by magic that weaves an enchanting spell. This briefly describes "SHOW BOAT" which will sweep across your emotions like the rushing tide of the Mississippi from Wednesday, 28th April at the Capitol Cinema. What memories the Kern-Hammerstein songs bring back. What thrills in the love story of Magnolia and Ravenal, portrayed by Irene Dunne and Allan Jones. There is the convincing throb of life in the narrative peopled with 3,500 players on the screen. There is the rhythm of the ages in Paul Robeson's songs "Old Man River" and "Ah Still Suits Me." Behind his splendid robust baritone there are pulsing waves of harmony, swelling from 200 resonant voices that rise and fall and beat like tree branches vibrating in the wind. Or like the ship's sails, billowing full, thrusting against a swift-running sea.

There will be three shows daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.



"Dolls of Clay" running at the West-End starring Kumari Madhuri and Billimoria

Kumari Leela Desai in "The President" at the Krishna (New Theatres).

"I MARRIED A DOCTOR"

Which Opens To-day At Pathe

"I Married A Doctor" which opens to-day at Pathe. Pat O'Brien and Josephine Hutchinson have the romantic leads, he being a country doctor who takes his city bred bride to his small home town where she immediately arouses a jealous and bitter antagonism among the women because their husbands and sweet hearts are attracted by her beauty and wit.

Unwittingly she creates a scandal by taking under her patronage a country youth with artistic aspirations. Encouraging his ambitions, she does not realize that he has become desperately infatuated with her, until he begs her to run away with him. The tongues of gossip, long wagging, clack with venom when the youth, mad with disappointment, is killed in a wild automobile ride.

Believing everyone in town to be petty, mean, intolerant and cruel, she flees from her home and husband, returning to the city. But in a surprising climax she and her husband are reunited.

There is a talented cast playing in support of O'Brien and Miss Hutchinson, which includes Ross Alexander, Guy Kibbee, Louise Fazenda, Olin Howland, Margaret Irving, Alma Lloyd and Robert Barrat.

"NOOR-E-WAHADUT"

At The Globe Talkies

(CONTRIBUTED.)

If you love romance, death defying bravery and thrilling sequences, make it a point to see East India's latest picture "Noor-e-Wahadut"—now running at the Globe Talkies, drawing crowded houses.

"Noor-e?Wahadut" is a stirring drama of olden days when in certain parts of the world, the mankind was not civilized. The hero of this beautiful photoplay, in order to get the barbarous people civilized sallies forth for success in his noble mission. But is imprisoned by the villainous brigand of the jungle of Africa. But his beautiful daughter—Huza falls in love with him and there follows series of adventures which our hero wonderfully and bravely goes through.

This marvellous picture has stars like Mazaharkhan Miss Patience Cooper, Miss Lalita Devi, and Pahelvan. If you love romance and good fighting stuff, go to the Globe Talkies and see "B" "Noor-e-Wahadut.

NEW INDIA'S JAWAHIR--EHIND

Next Saturday At The Wellington

The lure of the city makes a common folk in the villages mad and they come to the city and hope in vain to become happy and had luxurious life—is the subject of New India Movietone's maiden social hit "Jawahir-e-Hind" to be released at the Wellington next Saturday with starts like Baby Indira, Miss Noorjehan, Prof. Rao Dhanaji.

"Jawahir-e-Hind" is a story of ideals—old and new. You see the glittering city lights and you see the utter poverty which takes its toll amongst the poor class. This society of ours with good-looking, sweet-tongued big fellows is a curse to those who do not understand the intricacies of so-called modern ways. They are good but they prove fatal. This mask is lifted in "Jawahir-e-Hind" by beautiful story. Directed by Sjt. Chunilal Parekchand supervised by Sjt. Keki Damania—produced by Mr. Popatlal of New India movietone will be released at the Wellington next Saturday. There are stars like Baby Indira of Sagar fame, Noorjehan, Prof. Rao.

Srimat. Durga Khote in "Pratibha" (Shalini Cinetone) due at the Majestic

PRABHAT STUDIO NEWS

(CONTRIBUTED.)

MARATHI TITLE CHANGED.

Unexpected things are taking place regarding the title of the social picture of Prabhat—"The Unexpected". Contrary to Prabhat's usual system the title was disclosed in the very beginning. In the meantime the Hindi title "Na Fatnewali Bat" was changed to "Duniya Na Mane?" Now the news is out that the original Marathi title of the story "Na Fatnari Goshta" is also changed. The picture is finally named "The Unexpected" in English, "Duniya Na Mane?" in Hindi and 'Kunku' in Marathi. This new Marathi title is short significant and immediately gives the idea around which centres the story.

The shooting of the social picture is in rapid progress. Every artist and technician is aware of the fact that something new and wonderful is going on. Mr. Shantaram is working day and night, concentrating his attention upon every shot, every action, every song which is being shot in an unusual way. Prabhat's social is going to be a nappy surprise and an achievement which will raise the standard of the Indian Cinema Art.

Preparations of the next Prabhat attraction "Gopalkrishna" are nearing completion. Mr. Shivrampant Washikar, the successful writer of "Tukaram" has completed the story and dialogues. The rehearsals will be started very shortly. The picture is in the hands of those two artists who have given life to Tukaram. The picture will be taken in both the languages Hindi and Marathi. It will be remembered that Gopalkrishna was the first glorious picture of Prabhat in silent days. The subject and the story though old and handled before, Prabhat going to picturise it in an original and interesting way. The picture gives full scope for music and Master Krishnarao the famous Music Director of Dharmatma, Amarjyoti and Beyond the Horizon is glad to have the responsibility of music direction of the picture the subject of which is to his liking. The details about the cast and other things will be out soon.

"BEYOND THE HORIZON."

Directed by K. Narain Kale is running successfully in the North and will be released shortly in Bengal and the Bombay Presidency. The gripping story, novel and attractive background and atmosphere, superb music, smart acting and studied direction have become the subject of appreciation by people wherever the picture was shown. Places like Poona and Bombay are eagerly awaiting the relese of this picture.

Six months have passed since the release of this picture and still the houses in every town are fully packed. Even at Non-Marathi stations it has run successfully for weeks. The fame of Tukaram has reached North India and Bengal. A new copy with illustrative Hindi, Urdu and Bengali titles has been passed by the censors and is being sent to Bengal and North. It is hoped and hoped rightly that the picture will be appreciated even there.

EXHIBITORS' CONVENTION AT LAHORE.

In pursuance of the decision of the All-Indian Distributors' Convention held at Poona, Mr. Dalsukh Pancholi of the Empire Talkie Distributors organised a convention of the exhibitors at Lahore on the 20th April.

"ATMA TARANG"

th Week At Minerva

(CONTRIBUTED.)

Minerva's magnificient masterpiece "Atma Tarang" has achieved enviable success at the Minerva Talkies. Though it has entered in its 6th continuous week, it is still drawing crowded houses—a fact which clearly goes to show its excellence and popularity. Director "Sohrab Modi" scores a great triumph in this picture both as a director and actor. His remarkable characterisation of Guru Haricharan, a very noble role in "Atma Tarang" is sure to enhance his reputation. The leading roles are quite nicely played by Feroze Dastur and Prabha, supported by Vasant, Gulzar, Puri and Eruchshaw all of whom give a fine display of team work.

The music of "Atma Tarang" is of a high order and has been much liked and appreciated.

The Dances too, are very alluring. In short "Atma Tarang" is a picture of real entertainment and has an equal appeal to the masses and classes.

HUNS STUDIO NEWS

(CONTRIBUTED.)

Nature gave a boisterous welcome to "Huns Pictures" in their first Kolhapur week. On the afternoon of Saturday, the seventeenth April, a great storm swept over the City, causing much panic and damage. Fortunately the good old studios of Kolhapur Cinetone bravely stood the test. But the electric mains are dislocated as about a dozen poles carrying the lines have been uprooted. In about a week the line will be restored and director Vinayak's "Premveer" will start on the set in full swing. In the meanwhile his rehearsals of the comedy are maintaining a very hilarious atmosphere among the staff, and affording much relief from the monotony of torrential rains.

"Huns Pictures" is the talk of the little home burg of Kolhapur. Every member of the company is an object of an almost embarrassing interest on part of the townsmen. This extravagant interest once culminated into an amusing incident. The Kolhapur race course is near the Studio; the season is in full swing, and a number of Arab visitors of the racing fraternity are to be seen around. One day they were trailed by a few curious but misguided enthusiasts, who suspected them to be mind Huns artists in make-up for the purpose of outdoors of some Muslim Pictures!

The Studios are undergoing a thorough overhauling, at the end of which visitors will find them one of the smartest production units on this side of India.

"Pujarin" with Kumari Chandrabati and Jagdeesh at the Roxy

"PREM KAHANI"

At Opera

(CONTRIBUTED.)

The Bombay Talkies may well feel happy that Devika Rani's absence from the caste notwithstanding, their latest release "Prem Kahani" has proved such a great success. Even in its fifth week at the Opera it is attracting good houses and the huge number of entries which have been received for the "Prem Kahani" contest shows the keen interest which the cine-goers are taking in the picture.

Meanwhile the picture has been released at Karachi where it is proving a great draw to all classes of citizens. The picture will open next week at Lahore and a few days later at Delhi.

NEW THEATRES

Studio News

(CONTRIBUTED).

"The President" has been released at Bombay, Lahore, Karachi and Delhi and has been acclaimed by the Press, the public, the Exhibitors and Distributors as the finest specimen of Indian film work. Technically perfect, President is a Picture of universal appeal and supreme film entertainment. Based on a unique and a quite "different" style, of story, the President has captured the imagination of all classes of the audience. Kamlesh Kumari has proved herself to be possessor of rare histrionic talent, then there are evercharming Saigal with his golden-voiced songs and beautiful acting, Lila Desai, Jagdish, Nawab, Bikram, Debbala—all of them have done a most creditable performance. The picture is full of blazing and breath-taking sequences and Nitin Bose has created wonders this time with his super-directorial talents and camera technique. Mention should be made of R. C. Boral's unique music direction. You get an entirely "different" music with this "different" film. Sound Recording of Mukul Bose leaves no room for improvement and you hear the finest sound—which can go at one with the best recorded American Sound Pictures. Just like a real President of a State—

Kumari Vimla Devi in "Prem-Kahani" at the Opera

"PUJARIN"

At The Roxy

(CONTRIBUTED).

Whenever New Theatres Ltd.'s picture is released in Bombay there is always stir in film-circles. Last week, New Theatres' "Pujarin" released at the Roxy Talkies, broke all previous records in the history of Roxy. This long-awaited picture from New Theatres has been greatly appreciated amongst the film fans of Bombay.

"Pujarin" is a marvellous story from the pen of Bengal's foremost of writers—Sjt. Sarat Chatterjee cleverly moulded into a touching melodrama ever presented on the silver screen. The story is woven around a girl—a village priestess who becomes the object of love for a tyrannical zamindar who exploits farmers and peasants and is a terror to the whole of the country. This Zamindar—Jibanand Choudhuri—most marvellously played by Saigal is a brigand of the first water—always scheming to molest village girls and almost upto something malicious lays his hand on this Pujarin. But Pujarin by her inner spiritual force and by her divine ways of love forces to change the heart of Jibanand.

The marvellous sequences are most beautifully taken by the director Sjt. Profulla Roy. Emotions,—love, laughter and tears are masterfully blended in this touching and inspiring drama. You will really appreciate the wonderful songs by Saigal and Chandrabati as Pujarin is really good. Other characters of the story played by Pahari Sanyal, Rajkumari, K. C. Dey, Kidar and famous star Nawab are worth seeing. Photography by Sjt. Yousuf Mulji and music by Sjt. Timirbaran make this picture a success. "Pujarin" has all these good points which go to make this picture a success.

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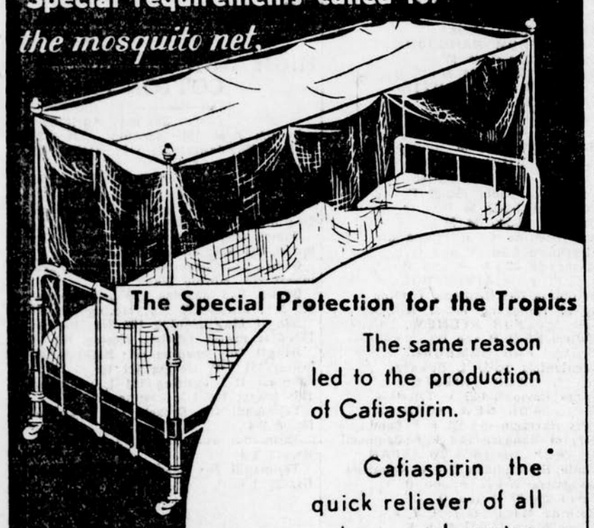

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CAUSTIC SODA INDUSTRY

(Continued from Page 6).

good margin of profit. Assuming the sale price of caustic soda solution to be Rs. 125 against the present price of Rs. 200 a ton the manufacturer can have a margin of Rs. 25 per cent. after reducing the price to the consumer by about 40 per cent.

The cost of the liquid chlorine will be as follows:—

	Rs
(1) Cost of chlorine gas as per ton (as calculated before)	65 0-0
(2) Power 500 units at 4 pies per unit	7-0-0
(3) Water and steam	1-0-0
(4) Supplies	25-0-0
(5) Labour	4-0-0
Total cost per ton of liquid chlorine	Rs. 105-0-0

This liquid chlorine at present is being sold at 4 annas a lb in returnable cylinders which means about Rs. 550 a ton. So we find that the enormous difference in the manufacturing cost and the sale price of the chlorine and even after cutting the price to one third the present price, that is, Rs. 180 a ton, the manufacturer will still have a profit of about Rs. 75 a ton.

Cost Of Bleaching Powder

The cost of manufacturing bleaching powder is as follows:—

	Rs.
(1) Chlorine 800 lb. at Rs. 65 per ton	24-0-0
(2) Power and water	1-0-0
(3) Lime 0.65 tons at Rs. 20 per ton	13-0-0
(4) Labour	2-0-0
Total cost without drums	Rs. 40-0-0

If we can send this bleaching powder to the neighbouring textile mills in returnable drums the cost of this transport and wear and tear of the drum will amount to about Rs. 10 a ton making the total cost of manufacture to Rs. 50 a ton as against the present price of Rs. 100 a ton. So this bleaching powder can be sold at Rs. 66 a ton and can still give a margin of Rs. 16 a ton.

From all these data we see that, even assuming the sale price to be about two-thirds, the present price in the case of bleaching powder and caustic soda, and one-third in the case of liquid chlorine we get a margin of profit of about 25 per cent. on the cost of production. So here we see that we have got cheap raw materials, market at hand and worked out process for starting this industry in Bombay.

Cost Of Plant

As regards cost of the plant and the total investment a good deal will depend upon the cleverness of the investor. There are several cells in the market and the price of some of them is 3 times the other. But the lowest tender for the plant as a result of 9 or 10 quotations from different parts of the world amounts to about Rs. 7 lakhs delivered at Bombay, while a lakh of rupees will be required for engineering services and the fitting of the plant. Thus about Rs. 9 lakhs to Rs. 10 lakhs will be required for the whole plant including the building, while another 2-1/2 to 3 lakhs of rupees will be required for running expenses. The total production per year will amount to 3,550 tons of caustic soda, 800 tons of liquid chlorine and 6,000 tons of bleaching powder. The total sale price of the goods produced will amount to about Rs. 12 lakhs a year while the productions cost will amount to about 10 lakhs thus giving a margin of about Rs. 2 lakhs on an investment of about Rs. 12 lakhs.

Competition

As regards competition it can be of two kinds, external and internal. As regards external competition we find that the sale price of caustic soda in European countries and America amounts to Rs. 150 a ton while to this we have to add customs duty and freight charges, while our manufacturing cost will amount in any case to not more than Rs. 130 a ton. Thus we see that there is very little fear of competition from any external source for a long time to come. As regards internal competition there is no other source of cheap current on the Western coast except Bombay where this plant has been suggested for location. The only other place where very cheap current is available is Mettur Dam in Madras Presidency, where current at the rate of 2 pies per unit is available for this industry so the difference of price of current in a year between Mettur and Bombay will on this 1250 K W. plant amount to one lakh of rupees a year while at Mettur, about 6,000 tons of salt has to be carried from sea port a distance of 120 miles while about 3,000 tons of caustic soda is to be brought from a distance of at least 250 miles on average to find a market, while at least 5,000 tons of bleaching powder will have to be brought to Bombay, first 120 miles by rail and then by shop. Therefore, the total cost of extra transport alone will amount to more than one lakh of rupees. The cost of production will be raised very much on account of use of strong containers in which bleaching powder and caustic soda will have to be carried to far off places.

Need For Co-operation

Thus we see that there is no fear of international competition at all as far as this industry is concerned in Bombay. It will be much better if all the main soap manufacturers and the leading textile manufacturers take share in this enterprise as they will be the chief consumers of the product of this industry. All these data of the cost of production are based on the result of experimental work at the Benares Hindu University and upon the guaranteed production cost of the manufacturers.

The writer will be extremely glad to supply any information in this connection.

FIRE HAVOC IN LUCKNOW

LUCKNOW, April 26.

A disastrous fire causing damage to the extent of several thousands of rupees broke out in three timber shops in Lucknow, yesterday.

A strong wind and low pressure of water favoured the flames which licked the shops one after another and burnt them to cinders. The fire-brigade immediately reached the scene and fought the flames for about three hours, before they could be brought under control.

As the fire spread, the timber and the logs of wood stocked in the shops exploded like fireworks making the task of the fire-fighters extremely risky.—United Press.

Under the auspices of the Bihar branch of the Bombay Humanitarian League, the All-India Humanitarian Day was celebrated in Darbhanga on the 23rd April, 1937, the birth day of the great teacher, Lord Mahavir, the apostle of Ahimsa.

JAWAHAR'S ASSURANCE TO MUSLIMS

(Continued from Page 14).

people We have already made a great pact amongst ourselves, amongst all who desire national and economic freedom to work together to this common end. The Muslims are in this pact just as the Hindus and Sikhs and so many Christians They are there as Indians, and if they have problems 'inter se', as they must have occasionally they will discuss them and decide them democratically within the great organisation which has come to represent to such a remarkable degree the will of the Indian people. Is it not better and more dignified to do this than to seek favours from, and take deputations to our alien rulers who dominate over us, and seek to play off one against the other?

When we have gained our freedom that is the only possible and democratic way for us. And even now, in the course of our struggle for freedom, that is the only way

WRONG COURSE.

Some people suggest that semi-communal nationalist parties should be formed like a Muslim Congress Party. That seems to me a wrong course and one which will encourage communalism and injure the larger cause. Our experience of the Nationalist Muslim Party in the past was not a happy one. Such half-way groupings confuse the issue and the masses are perplexed. Those who disagree with the Congress will, of course, form their groups and parties. But those who agree should not stand on the doorstep; they should enter the nation's chamber and take full share in shaping the nation's policy. There are many to-day who talk vaguely of being Congressmen and of being in favour of independence. But they work through other and communal organisations and waste their strength thereby.

The crisis deepens and the people of India will soon have to make many fateful decisions. Already these petty and unreal problems communal and the like, shade off into the background and the real issues pregnant with destiny, overshadow the world. What will our answer be, whether we are Hindus or Muslims or Sikhs or Christians? Shall we stick to our little ways lost in a wilderness of pettiness? Or will we, united and firm of purpose, take the shaping of events in our strong hands and make the history of our choice?"—United Press.

CONGRESS STAND NOT UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Ramdas Pantulu Says Sapru's Intervention Useless

BEZWADA, April 26.

Interviewed regarding Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's constitutional conference Mr. Ramdas Pantulu (member of the Council of State) said it was neither feasible nor useful.

The Congress and its accredited spokesman had made the Congress position clear. Constitutionalists of unquestioned authority like Prof. Keith had said that the position taken up by the Congress was not unconstitutional and the assurance asked for by the Congress could have been given by the Governors.

Mr Pantulu added if notions of prestige or consciousness of the power of sword stood in the way of acceptance of the Congress demand their constitutional struggle for genuine responsible Government would proceed unabated.

Asked about interim ministry's scheme Mr Pantulu said the general impression was that it was a farce saving political device and not a genuine measure of relief to the masses.—A. P.

MAHARASHTRA SOCIALIST PARTY SURPRISE

POONA, April 26.

It is reliably understood that 25 members of the Maharashtra Congress Socialist Party have resigned from the Party. They have sent their resignations to the Secretary of the Party. The members will soon issue a lengthy statement explaining the reason of their resignation.—United Press.

CAWNPORE DOCTOR DRUGGED AND KIDNAPPED

All Valuables Robbed And Left Unconscious Near Ganges Bank

LUCKNOW, April 27.

Robbed and held to ransom by kidnappers one Cawnpore doctor had an unusual experience, according to a report received here from Unao.

It is stated that the kidnappers sent a man from Unao to the doctor's house at Cawnpore on the other side of the river Ganges. He stimulated extreme anxiety for an imaginary patient and persuaded the doctor to accompany him to a house where his accomplices were waiting.

The doctor was overpowered, thrust into the room where he was kept prisoner till night. After relieving him of all his valuable the kidnappers tried to extort more money out of him ordering him to send a letter to his place, but the doctor evaded stating that here was no one in his place.

Finding the doctor being of no more use to them the kidnappers administered strong drug with drink to the doctor and when unconscious removed him to the Ganges bridge.

The police are making vigorous investigation.—United Press.

GOODS TRAIN DERAILED

PATNA, April 27.

Report has been received that three wagons of a goods train running between Tarenga and Jahanabad on the Patna-Gaya branch, were derailed, causing suspension of through running on No. 1. (Up) Passenger and the (Down) Ranchi Express till the time of wiring. A relief train has been despatched from Dinapore to the spot of derailment.

Further details are awaited.—United Press.

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NEW YORK COTTON 24 POINTS UP

Bullion Easy But Commodities Steady

BOMBAY, April 27.

On Tuesday crossrates ruled easy.
N. Y. COTTON BETTER.
New York cotton displayed better tendency after recent heavy liquidation.
BULLION EASY.
London gold and silver ruled easy.
WHEAT STEADIER.
Wheat was steadier at Chicago. Base metals rallied after easy weakness.
SECURITIES NEGLECTED.
The London Stock Exchange displayed some activity on improved speculative interest after early quietness. Gilt edged securities were neglected.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

OCTOBER 937.

New York, April 27.

Previous closing	12.78
To-day's opening	12.74
Difference	—.04
To-day's closing	13.02
Difference	plus 24

LIVERPOOL COTTON

OCTOBER 937.

Liverpool, April 27.

Previous closing	7.13
To-day's opening	7.04
Difference	—.09
To-day's closing	7.14
Difference	plus 01

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May	Rs. 232-8
July August	Rs. 239-0

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, April 27.

Cotton early displayed hesitancy on lower outside cables which depressed the market but there after prices picked up on better enquiry and some short covering coupled with better absorption of May tenders.

Trading in October commenced at 12.74 i.e. 4 points lower than previous closing. Prices declined on lower Liverpool cables and foreign selling with some liquidation but subsequently the trend became higher on better local support and covering.

New York cotton finally closed at 13.02 with a rise of 24 points for October delivery.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 27.

The following were the opening ranges:—

May (13.10/13.08) 12.92/12.91
July (13.13/13.10) 13.03/13.01
October (12.83/12.82) 12.74/12.73

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, April 27.

The following were the rates at 12-15 p.m.:—

American May (7.22) 7.16
American July (7.27) 7.15
Egyptian March (11.12) 10.94
Egyptian May (11.24) 11.07

BROACH COTTON

Bombay, April 27.

Broach cotton for July August moved between Rs. 235-8 and Rs 237-4 at night. The rate at 9-30 p.m. closed at Rs. 236-12 Broach April May was Rs. 6 lower.

LONDON MARKETS

London, April 27.

The rates at 3-30 p.m were as follows:—

TEA
Indian Pekoe (1-2 3/4) 1-2 1/4
Indian Pekoe higher (1-6 1/2) 1-4
Ceylon Pekoe (1-1 1/2) 1-1 1/2
Ceylon Pekoe higher 2-3) 2-4
JUTE
New Crop May June (£21 1/2 value.) £21 1/4 value.
Dunlop May (£25 sellers) £25 sellers
Lightning May (£23 sellers) £23 sellers
RUBBER
Spot (10 15/16 value) 10 11/16 value.
Forward July September (11 3/16 paid and sellers) 10 7/8 paid and value.
LINSEED
Castorseed Bombay April May (£14 3/8 sellers) £14 3/8 sellers
Linseed Calcutta April May (£14 13/16 sellers) £14 3/4 sellers
Linseed La Plata April May (£13 1/8 sellers) £13 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal April May (£14 3/4 sellers) £14 7/16 sellers

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, April 27.

Liverpool wheat opened weak with May at 107 1/2 and July 105 1/2 Prices declined on general liquidation and heavy selling pressure with the session overshadowed by easiness of the stock market and lower outside cables with very little support.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago April 27.

Chicago wheat opened steady with July at 1.15 1/2. Prices advanced on scattered commission house buying due to better technical position after recent heavy liquidation with July rallying to 1.16 5/8.

BROWN BOLD LINSEED
(Through Bombay Grains and Seeds Association.)
Delivery May 1937
Bombay April 27.

	Rs. a. p
Rates at 11-0 a.m.	7 15 9
Rates at 12-0 noon	7 15 9
Rates at 3-0 p.m.	7 15 6
Rates at 5-0 p.m.	7 15 3

September delivery was about 0-4-6 annas higher.

EXCHANGES

LONDON-NEW YORK CROSS RATES

Latest Quotations

(1) NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, April 27.

Previous closing	4.93 25/32
To-day's opening	4.94 11/16
To-day's closing	4.94 1/8

(2) LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, April 27.

Previous closing	4.93.70
To-day's opening	4.93.90
To-day's closing	4.94.15

FRANC RATE

London, April 27.

Previous closing	111.28
To-day's opening	111.28
To-day's closing	111.15

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 27.

London exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.93.90 and then improved to 4.94.10 on good support with an upward tendency.

The sterling dollar crossrate closed at 4.94.15

Franc opened at 111.28 and then advanced to 111.26 on scattered buying.

The sterling franc crossrate closed at 111.15.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6 1/8) 1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay (8.394) 8.418
New York on Bombay (37.27) 37.28
London on Milan (93 67) 93.97
Berlin on Bomba (0.92 5/8) 0.92 5/8
London on Shanghai (1-2 1/2) 1-2 17/32
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2 31/32

DISCOUNTS

3 months (9 16 to 9/16 per cent) 9/16 to 9/16 per cent
4 months (9/16 to 9/8 per cent) 9/16 to 9/8 per cent
6 months (11/16 to 11/16 per cent) 11/16 to 11/16 per cent

LONDON METALS

To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

Tin (£253 1/2 buyers £254 sellers. Weak) £255 buyers £255 1/2 sellers. Very steady.
Lead (£22 7/8 buyers £23 sellers Weak) unquoted.
Electrolytic Copper (£62 1/2 to £64 1/2) £61 to £63
Glasgow Iron (£87) £87

SILVER CABLES

Bombay April 27.

The following cable information was received from London to night

China sold. Speculators bought. Business small. Market quiet.

LONDON SILVER

London, April 27.

	Previous closing Prices	To-day's Prices
Spot	20 5/16d.	20 1/4d.
Forward	20 3/8d.	20 5/16d.

LONDON GOLD

London, April 27.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-0-9 1/2) £7-0-5 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Bombay, April 27.

Silver (Ready	52 11 0
Silver 1st settlement	50 6 0
Silver 2nd settlement	52 14 0
Gold ready	34 13 3
Gold 1st settlement	34 13 3
Gold 2nd settlement	34 12 0
Sovereigns	22 3 0

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, April 27.

Wheat May	5 10 3
Wheat September	5 10 0
Linseed May	7 15 3
Linseed September	8 3 6

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotation

Liverpool, April 27.

Liverpool wheat May closed at 109 1/8 as against the previous closing at 110 5/8

3½ P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotation

Bombay, April 27.

The 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper was quoted at Rs. 96-14 at 2 p.m. The closing quotations at 5 p.m. was Rs 95-0-0.

Fluctuations were as follows:—

	Rs. a. p.
Opening	94 5 0
Highest	95 0 0
Lowest	94 5 0
Closing	95 0 0

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, April 27.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £89 3/4 as against the previous closing at £90

INDIAN LOANS

London, April 27. 2-30 p.m.

3 per cent Indian Loan (£97 1/2) £97 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Loan (£90 1/4) £90
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (1950-55) (£109 3/4) £110
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 (£114) £114
4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£106 3/4) £106 1/2
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£112 1/2) £112 1/2
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£102 1/2) £102 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

3 per cent Australian Loan 1945-70 (£109) £109 1/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 3/4) £77 1/8
3 1/2 per cent Government Loan (£102 3/4) £102 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£107 3/4) £107 5/8
5 per cent Funding Loan (£111 3/8 £110 7/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£103 3/8) £101 1/2 Ex Div.
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 3/8) £109 7/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 27. 2-30 p.m

After being weak markets generally improved on cessation of recent selling but Giltedgeds and Indian loans were easier.

INDUSTRIALS

British Celanese Second Preference (16-7 1/2) 16-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (80-0) 73-9
Hydro Electric (£9 1/4) £8 1/2
Musical Industries (21-7 1/2) 21-0
Princhin Johnson (45-0) 45-0
Imperial Chemical (38 1/2) 38-3
Woolsworth Ordinary (76-3) 77-6
Rsalisation 1980 (£96) £95 3/4
Dunlop Rubber (33-6) 33-3
Unilever Ordinary (40-3) 39-6
Ford Motors (28-10 1/2) 28-4 1/2
Cables and Wireless (£6 5/8) £6 1/2
British American Tobacco (125-7 1/2) 125-0
Carreas A (£8 1/4) £8 1/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (151-3) 152-6
P and O S N Company Deferred (34-4 1/2) 32-3
Distillers (108 3/4) 110-0
Bredfords Dyers (£8 1/2) £9 1/2
British Celanese (£8 1/2) £8
J and P Coates Ordinary (49-6) 49-0
Courtaulds Ordinary (51-3) 52-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (12-9) 12-3
Vickers Limited Ordinary (29-0) 29-0
Inter Nickels (61-4 1/2) 59-0
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (67-6) 57-6
Tata Iron and Steel (£105) £105

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (20-0) 18-9
Donaro Tea (51-3) 51-0
Empire of India (31-3) 30-0

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (41-6) 38-6
Gula Kelampong (55-0) 55-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (39-6) 38-6

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£10 3/4) £10 3/4

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (55-0) 54-4 1/2
Burma Corporation (17-9) 17-3
Rio Tintos (£21) £19 1/2
East Rand Proprietors (68-9) 64-6
Rand Mines (£7 7/8) £7 3/4

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£13 3/8) £13 1/8
Geduld New (£9) £8 7/8
New Modders (£30) £28 3/4
Sub Nigel (£10 7/8) £10 3/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (34-4 1/2) 38-1 1/2
Union Corporation (£9) £8 3/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (£53 3/4) £51 1/4
Anglo Iranian (118-9) 108-1 1/2
Burma Oil (104 3/8) 105 5/8
Musical Eagle (22-0) 21-4 1/2
Shell Transport (103-3) 106-3
Royal Dutch (£46 1/8) £45 3/8

HOME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£59 1/2) £59 1/2
L and S Ordinary (£30 1/8) £29 3/8
L N E R Defd (£5) £4 7/8
Southern Paris 5 per cent (£24) £23 1/2
London Paris 5 per cent (£127) £127
London Transport 'C' Stock (£86 1/4) £87 1/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, April 27.

The following were to-day's opening rates:—

General Motor (dol 57 5/8) dol 56 1/8
N Y Copper Mining (dol 54 1/8) dol 52 5/8
U S Steel Common (dol 108 3/4) dol 106 1/4
U S Steel Preference (dol 145 1/4) unquoted

SHARP RALLY IN STOCK EXCHANGE

Wall Street Firmer

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, April 27.

On the Stock Exchange after further weakening prices rallied sharply on cessation of liquidation and some bear covering on better Wall Street advices providing further stimulus. Although there was a further slight reaction at the close many yesterdays biggest losers showed substantial recovery. Commodities generally displayed steadier tendency on cessation of heavy liquidation metals especially rallying on bear covering.

Wall Street was firmer.

JUTES AND COALS EASIER

Teas Inactive

CALCUTTA, April 27.

Jutes:—Opened fairly steady but closed rather easier.
Coals:—Continued easie
Teas:—Rather dull and inactive.
Miscellaneous:—Indian irons, Burma corporation and Indian coppers further declined than opening on heavy selling pressure. Others in sympathy closed a shade easie.
Government securities.—Steady.
Following were the closing quotations.
Government securities:—Three per cent loan 1951/54 101/3, three and a half per cent Government paper 94/8, three and a half per cent loan 1947/50 106/8, small lot, four per cent loan 1960/70 110/8.
Banks:—Ballygunge 10b Central 33/8, Imperial fully paid 1530, Imperial conty 375, Reserve 125/8.
Railways:—Darjeeling Himalayan ord 87, Howrah Amta 118.
Cotton:—Kesoram 6/12.
Coals:—Amalgamated 27, Bhalgora 3/8, Pench Valley 36/8, Seersole 3/8 small lots, Union 18/12, Borrea 16, Burrakur 17/8, C Div; Equitable 36/8, Ghusick and Muslia 3/8, Samla 2/12, Seebpore 20 prem.
Jutes:—Barnagore 148 Delta 384, Howrah 55, Hukumchand 11/6, Nuddea 46, Dalhousie 330, Gourepore pref 129, Kamarhatty 540, Presidency 4/10.
Miscellaneous:—Burma Corporation 10/15, Consolidated tin 7/8, Indian copper 3/3, Rhodesia copper 2/11, Rawalpindi elec 25/8, Arthur butler ord 17/2, Indian steel and wire products defd 483 small lot, Indian iron and steel 39, Kumardhubi Engineering ord 5/2, Dunlop rubber second pref 10⁵ small odd lots, British Burma petroleum 5/10, Moola oil 2/3, Buland sugar 12/14.
Teas:—Bishnauth 25/12, Hasimara 45/6, C Div; Tongari 4 small lots.
Debentures:—Four and a half per cent 1950, Calcutta Port Trust 110/4, four per cent 1937 do 101/4.—A.P.

WALL STREET MARKET

New York, April 26

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars.
Amr Water Works Co	19
Amer Power and Lt Common	10
Amer Power and Lt Pfd 5 per cent A	55
Amer Forn Power Com	9
Amer Forn Power Pfd 7 per cent	55
Elec Power and Lt	19
Elec P and Light 7 per cent Pfd	75
Elec Bond Common	19
Consolidated (Gas) Edison	37
North Amer Com	25
United Corporation	5
Int Tel and Tel	1
American Tel and Tel	164 1/4
Western Union Telgm	61
Baltimore and Ohio	33
Chesapeake and Ohio	59
Erie R R	18
Great North Prfd	50
New York Central	45 1/4
Pennsylvania	44
Southern Pacific	53
Union Pacific	144
Graham Paige Motor	2
American Rolling Mills	35
National Distillers	31
Delaware and Hudson	44
Plymouth Oil	27
Firestone	34
Sun Oil Company	69
Hercules Powder Co	153
Macy (R.H.) and Co Inc	16 3/4
Lehigh Portland Cement Corpt	37 3/4
Foster-Wheeler	45 1/2
N Y N Hartford H R R	19
Bethelehem Steel	94
Republican Steel	38
United States Steel	105 1/2
Amer Can Foundry	31
Anaconda Copper Mining	52 1/4
Int Nickel of Canada	59
Thompson Products	23
Chrysler	111
Ford Motor of Canada A	2
General Motors	55 3/4
Sperry Corporation	8
Barnsdall Oil	18
Consolidated Oil	16
St Oil of N J	56
Socony	18 1/2
National Dairy	23
Chase Bank	54
National City Bank	17
Amer Celanese	38
United Gas Corporation	10
Crucible Steel	62
National Steel	83
Youngstown Sheet	46
St Regis Paper	9
United S Smelting	57
Amerex	9
Acme Steel	7
Ingersoll Rand Co	128 1/2
Cutler Hammer Inc	77 1/4
Otis Elevator	36 1/4
Amer Snuff Co	80

General Motors earned 99 cts net per share in January March 1937 Market unsettled because of foreign liquidation and looks for lower opening Tuesday rally should follow.

Turn over 2,000,000 shares.

Anjani Kumar, the only accused in the Patna High Court Bomb case, was sentenced yesterday by the Sessions Judge, Patna, under Section 3 of the Explosive Substances Act, to five years' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. Subhas Bose, who arrived at Allahabad on Monday at 9-30 a.m., had prolonged talks with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru before the commencement of the Working Committee meeting.

FASCIST UNDER 'PROGRESSIVE' MASKS

Anti-Socialist Propaganda In India

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD: April 27.

Information reached the A.I.C.C. Office that the All-India Progressive League, Poona, has widely distributed the first number of its organ "Red Bulletin," among propertied classes in India.

It will be interesting to know the sources of the League's finance, as its activities threaten to be deluge-like.

The aim of the League is stated to be "no less than 40 million pamphlets in various Indian languages will be distributed in India this year besides lectures in rural areas."

India is warned against the activities of Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru and the Congress Socialist Party.

The League as pointed out by me some time ago, is a Fascist organisation and it is believed, it is being financed by some foreign and Indian vested interests.

KEEN COMPETITION IN CREAM TRADE

(From Our Correspondent).

ANAND: April 27.

Keen contest is going on for the forthcoming election for the presidentship of the Anand Municipality.

The cream trade of Gujerat is passing through a crisis at present and there is very keen competition. It has affected the butter industry of the Bombay Presidency to a large extent.

Rash driving of motors on roads is on the increase. Watering on roads is not adequately attended to.

Simplicity and Swadeshism were the order of the day of the marriage of Miss Vimalaben, daughter of Mr. M. A. Kapasi, a prominent citizen and cream merchant, which took place here yesterday. Large numbers of officials and citizens attended the function.

ABOLISH CIVIL SIDE OF I. M. S.

Surat Medical Union's Demand

The following resolution proposed by Dr. G. J. Ghia, M.L.A., and seconded by Dr. M. M. Mehta, was passed unanimously at the special general meeting of the members of the Surat Medical Union held on 17th April and was passed unanimously:

"The Surat Medical Union emphatically protests against the policy of so-called reorganisation of the I.M.S. as announced in the recent communique of the Government of India on 25th March 1937.

In practice this policy means the perpetuation of the European element in the service and elimination of the Indian element.

The Surat Medical Union hereby reiterates the oft repeated demand for the complete abolition of the Civil side of the I.M.S.

It is hereby resolved that the above resolutions should be sent to proper quarters and to the press.

Send Off To Travancore Bank Official

Mr. S. Narasimhan, Manager of the Bombay branch of the Travancore National Bank, was entertained by prominent South Indians of Bombay on the eve of his departure to Madras to take charge of his duties in Central Bank The Central Bank has recently opened many branches in South India and has appointed Mr, Narasimhan as the Organising Secretary of branches.

After dinner tributes were paid by Rao Bahadur K Ramaswamy, Messrs. P. V. S. Iyer and Sundaram to the business abilities of Mr Narasimhan, who, as the first manager of the Travancore National Bank, built up a unique position for it within a short time.

Mr Narasimhan in his reply made a feeling reference to his friends in Bombay, who supported him in his mission of making the Bank a success.

Tenders For Treasury Bills

A press communique issued by the Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Bombay states:—

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 27th April 1937. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,35,25,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-12-0 were allotted approximately 93 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 1,00 00,000, the average rate of accepted tender being Re 1-0-0 per cent annum.

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 4th May 1937. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 7th May 1937. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended the 23rd April 1937, Treasury Bills for Rs. 44,50,000 were renewed in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVAL

Bombay, April 27.

L Edward's s.s. Tungsha of 3391 reg tons Capt. H Bonness arrived from Gothenburg via Brevik, Oslo, Copenhagen, Hamburg, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Lisbon, Portsaid, Aden and Karachi with passengers and general cargo.

DEPARTURES

Bombay, April 27.

Scindia Steam s.s. Silkworth of 2961 reg tons Capt J Gemmell sailed for Bassein in water ballast

Burmah Shell Oil Tanker Nordhav of 3478 reg tons Capt. H B Kristoffersen sailed for Abadan in water ballast.

B I S N s.s. Gurna of 5228 reg tons Capt. W Bird sailed for Calcutta via Mangalore and Colombo with local cargo

O S K s.s. Celebes Maru of 4258 reg tons Capt K Matsuoka sailed for Basra via Karachi and Persian Gulf Ports with local and same bottom cargo.

B I S N s.s. Gandara of 3190 reg tons Capt A D Davies sailed for Karachi via Bhavnagar and Kathiawar Coast Ports with local and same bottom cargo

Vessels In Docks

Bombay April 27.

ALEXANDRA DOCK

2 Tungsha 3391 Madras 30-4 L Edwards
4 Nijkerk 3619 Alleppey 28-4 L Edwards
6 Bangalore 2816 Japan 28-4 M M
14 Takliwa 3742 Durban 28-4 M M
16 Kaisar-I-Hind 6014 London 1-5 M M

VICTORIA DOCK

3 Barpeta 1892 J Gulf 28-4 M M
4 Varsova 1955 Busra 29-4 M M
5 Cambay Star 320 M Coast 27-4 S Hassum
10/11 Celebes Maru 4259 Busrah 27-4 O S Kaisha
12/13 Jalavihar 3381 N F N F Scindia S N

PRINCES DOCK

A Jaladuta 3089 Bhavnagar 27-4 Scindia S N
M Alipore 3241 N F N F M M (P & O)
C/R Hatarana 4592 Calcutta 28-4 M M

STEAMERS EXPECTED

FROM LONDON

Corfu 29-4-37 P and O
Chitral 6-5-37 P and O
Carthage 27-5-37 P and O S N
Viceroy of India 13-5 P and O
Maloja 20-5 P and O
Lahore 4-5-37 M M

FROM LIVERPOOL

Hesione 1-5-37 J Finlay
City of Melbourne 4-5-37 K Nixon
Tarantia 8-5-37 Grahams Trading Co
Britannia 10-5-37 Graham's Trdg.

FROM HULL

Kabinga 5-5-37 J Finlay

FROM HAMBURG

Trenenfels 29-4 L Edwards
Kybfels 4-5-37 L Edwards

FROM GENOA

Conte Biancomano 28-4-37 L Triestino
Monte Piana 27-4-37 L Triestino

FROM NEW YORK

City of Auckland 3-5-37 F F Campbell
Steel Ranger 3-5-37 M M
Pres Harrison 1-5-37 F F Campbell.

FROM DURBAN

Kenya 1-5-37 M M

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Kurohime Maru 29-4-37 O S K
Kidderpore 29-4 P and O
Conte Rosso 27-4-37 L Triestino
Fukuyo Maru 26-4 O S K
Tango Maru 30-4 N Y K
Mayebashi Maru 16-5-37 N Y K
Mantai Maru 10-5-37 N Y K
Burdwan 9-5-37 P and O
Tokushima Maru 18-5-37 N Y

FROM SYDNEY

Strathaird 8-5-37 P and O

FROM BASRA

Varela 1-5-37 M M
Chantala 29-4-37 M M
Bankura 6-5-37 M M
Vasna 8-5-37 M M

FROM JEDDAH

Jehangir 29-4-37 Turner Morrison

FROM KARACHI

Yoshida Maru 30-4-37 N Y K
Tango Maru 10-5-37 N Y K
Dalgoma 5-5-37 M M

FROM RANGOON

Gamaria 27-4-37 M M
Gambada 30-4-37 M M

FROM CALCUTTA

Ormara 28-4-37 M M
Barala 2-5-37 M M

FROM AKYAB

Howra 30-4-37 M M

SAILING DATES

FOR LONDON

Viceroy of India 15-5-37 P and O
Burdwan 11-5-37 M M
Dalgoma 12-5-37 M M
Kaiser-i-Hind 1-5/37 P and O
Strathaird 8-5-37 P and O
Narkunda 22-5-37 P and O

FOR LIVERPOOL

Britannia 20-5 Grahams Trading
City of Hongkong 10-5-37 Killick

FOR SYDNEY

Chitral 6-5-37 P and O

FOR HAMBURG

Trentenfels 2-5-37 L Edwards

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 27-4-37 L Triestino

FOR NEW YORK

Pres Harrison 30-4-337 F F Campbell
City of Rangoon 24-4 F F Campbell

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Conte Biancamano 28-4 L Triestino
Bangalore 27-4-37 P and O
Corfu 29-4-37 P and O
Yoshida Maru 7-5-37 N Y K
Tango Maru 15-5-37 N Y K

FOR BASRA

Varsova 29-4-37 M M
Barala 5-5-37 M M
Barpeta 28-4-37 M M

FOR DURBAN

Takliwa 28-4-37 M M
Kenya 12-5-37 M M

FOR KARACHI

Vita 1-5-37 M M
Truenfels 2-5-37 L Edwards
Kybfels 13-5-37 L Edward
Yoshida Maru No. 1 21-4-37 N Y K

GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Strathmore 24-4-37
S S Silksworth 26-4-37
S S Celibes Maru 26-4-37
S S Cambay Star 26-4-37
S S Irrawadi 26-4-37
S S Varsova 26-4-37
S S Sonavati 26-4-37
S S Comorin (boats) 26-4-37
S S Gandara 27-4-37
S S Jaladuta 27-4-37

EXPORTS

Bombay, April 27.

S S Bangalore for Kobe:. 100 bales cotton raw V Ladha; 45 bales cotton raw M Amersey.

From Montreal: 2240 bags groundnut kernel K M Nathoo.

For Hongkong: 20 bdls sandalwood

R Purshotam, 10 bdls sandalwood chips R Purshotam

For Shanghai: 100 bdls sandalwood R Purshotam

S S Kurehime Maru for Kobe: 1000 bales cotton raw N Nagashi; 100 bales cotton raw L Kamji; 100 bales cotton raw A Pedar; 200 bales cotton raw P Madhavani; 200 bales cotton raw The Nissho; 300 bales cotton raw M Amersey 500 bales cottor raw P A Khimji

For Moji: 250 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros

For Osaka: 250 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros; 1000 bales cotton raw J Cotton Trading.

S S Kaisar-I-Hind to London: 16 bales dry goat skins Ralli Bros.; 13 casks wet cow nide Ralli Bros; 13 bales goat skins tanned Ralli Bros; 17 bales cow hides tanned P E Boyee; 54 bales dry salted goat skins D Abraham; 12 cases bristles D Abrahom; 360 cases walnut kernels D Abraham; 30 caces sandalwood oil Thos Cook; 24 bags baurite ore Grindlay; 79 bales cotton rags Jani 51 bales cotton rags C Nanalal; 1400 bags groundnut oil cakes expeller Louis Dreyfus; 2800 bags groundnut oil cakes meal Louis Dreyfus; 21 bags fish bones K C Marafatia; 660 bags oil cake expeller H Mundra; 18 bags fish maws H A Mahomed

For Marseilles: 42 csks wet salted goat skins D Abraham; 50 bags gum olibanum E Vallimahmed.

For Montreal: 68 bags celery seeds Thos. Cook.

S S Counte Rosso for Coustanza: 35 bales cotton g.m. yarn A H Diab.

For Istanbul: 100 bales cotton grey yarn A Virji

For Alexandretta: 28 bales cotton g.m. yarn A N Diab

For Port Said: 50 bales cotton grey shirtings A H Diab; 15 bales cotton white shirtings A H Diab

For Halifa: 15 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros.

For Burgess: 55 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros

IMPORTS.

Bombay, April 27.

S S Jarbeta Agents M Mackenzie and Co. from Rangoon: 16316 bags rice; 27007 bdls teak scantlings, 252 pcs teak planks, 68 pcs teak squares; 563 bars p.g. lead; 86 bags meteinuts; 24 nos. block tin, 2500 bags cottonseed; 718 nos. empty casks.

From Cochin: 25 csks lub oil.

From Calicut: 281 bales cotton; 300 jottas mangoes 83 chests tea.

From Tellichery: 31 bdls canes.

S S Cranfield Agents M Mackenzie and Co. from Bassein: 15869 bags rice.

From Tuticorin: 41 cases cone yarn

From Ponnani: 421 bags cocoanuts; 50 joths corn yarn.

From Calicut: 200 bales raw cotton; 57 jottas coir rope; 20 jottas coir yarn; 15 bdls coffee.

S S Goalpore Agents M Mackenzie and Co. from Rangoon: 16228 bags rice; 316 bags betelnuts; 25 clocks tin; 14 tins chinese sauce; 36 pcs kamju squares

From Cochin: 23 bdls rubber.

From Ponnani: 155 bags cocoanuts.

From Calicut: 182 bdls coir fibre; 49 jottas coir rope; 91 bdls venga wood bark.

S S Varsova Agents M Mackenzie and Co. from Busra: 14 shillips wool; 25 cases enamelled ware; 2800 baskets wet dates; 115 bags dry dates; 67 bags mash 12 bags seeds; 56 bags sheep wet skins; 43 bags wet skins; 29 bungs empty cylinder

From Karachi: 1180 bags wheat; 490 bales cotton (American); 31 bales raw cotton (Indian); 49 bdls. kismish (dry fruits); 50 bags sind w. grain; 19 cases fresh fish; 19 bags dry salted fish; 10 cases pistas.

S S Clan Macimes Agents J Finlay and Co. from Fomey: 2675 tons china clay.

From Alexandria: 50 bales cotton.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, April 26

Broach A/M 1937 opening 234 1/2; highest 235; lowest 231 1/4; closing 231 1/4

Broach J/A opening 240, highest 240 1/2; lowest 237 3/4; closing 237 3/4

Broach A/M 1938 opening 244; highest 245; lowest 242 1/2; closing 242 1/2

Oomra May opening 224; highest 224; lowest 221 1/4; closing 221 1/4

Oomra July opening 223; highest 223 lowest 223; closing 223

Oomra D/J opening 220 3/4; highest 220 3/4; lowest 220 3/4; closing 220 3/4

Bengal May opening 192 3/4; highest 192 3/4, lowest 189 3/4, closing 189 3/4

Bengal July opening 194; highest 194; lowest 191 1/4; closing 191 1/4

Bengal D/J opening 184 1/2; highest 185; lowest 184 1/2; closing 185

Tejimandi for Broach J/A (21-5-37) Rs. 7 1/4

Tejimandi for Broach J/A (30-6-37) Rs. 13 1/4

Tejimandi for Broach A/M (31-3-38) Rs. 32 1/4

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New York Liverpool: May 179 July 168 October 182 at cross rate 4.93 25/32

Bombay Liverpool: Broach A/M 1937 230 Liverpool May 7.13 Rs. 91 3/4 at exchange 1/6

Bombay Liverpool: Broach J/A 1937 236/8 Liverpool July 7.17 Rs. 75 3/4 at exchange 1/6

Bombay New York: Broach A/M 1937 230; New York May 12.98 Rs. 62 1/4 at cross rate 4.93 25/32

Bombay New York: Broach J/A 1937 236/8 New York July 13.06 Rs. 58 at cross rate 4.93 25/32

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, April 26

SAK—		
May	19.57	-90
July	19.37	-91
November	19 55	-81
ASH—		
June	17.02	-42
August	16.35	-49
GIZA—		
May	20.32	-32
November	18.56	-47

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 27.

Following a decline of 27 points in New York cotton futures market, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 236/8 for Broach J/A delivery and declined to Rs. 235/12 on scattered long liquidation. Later on there was some short covering which rallied prices to Rs 236/8.

The local market is reluctant to follow foreign bearish advices and the much talked parity is now improving.

Liverpool market opened at a decline of 9 points and later on was 14 points down but was 6 points down which made the local market which closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

Broach A/M	239	0 0
Broach J/A	235	8 0
New Broach A/M	239	0 0
Oomra May	216	0 0
Oomra July	221	4 0
New Oomra D/J	219	0 0
Bengal May	188	0 0
Bengal July	189	2 0
New Bengal D/J	182	0 0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, April 27.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	F G	Good
M. G.—					
Bengal U. P.	195	192	189		186
Punjab	195	192	189		186
Oomra No. 3	228	225	222	219	
C. P. No. 1	241	238	235	232	
C. P. No. 2	232	229	226	223	
Broach No. 2	238	234	231	228	
Punjab-Ame.	244	242	239	235	
Surat	295	293	290	287	
Rajpipla	290	288	285	282	
Navsari	305	303	300	297	

READY COTTON SALES.

Bombay, April 27

100 Narshi Nagshi Chitorgadh 38 off
100 Narshi Nagshi Nabha 3 1/2 on
150 Narshi Nagshi Tapa 2 on
100 Narshi Nagshi Manavadar Kala 222
78 Narshi Nagshi Amraoti 212 1/4
79 Bhagwandas Harakhchand Dabnoi 237
91 Bhagwandas Badarpur 248
225 Tata Kapadwanj 3 on
162 Kotak and Co. Basim 2?4 1/2
50 Bhavanji Lakhmidas Chitaldurga 241
70 Hindustan Mill Bir old 5 on
55 Gill and Co. Sindh American 292

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, April 27.

Bengal Superfine	196/97
Bengal Fine	191/93
C. P. 1	227/28
C. P. 2	218/20
Arvi	218/20
Ellichpur	218/20
Berar	215/20
Khamgaon	215/20
Mulkapur	210/15
Khandesh	208/12
Jalna/Sailu	208/12
Burwah Sanavad	213/18
Mathia	192/95
Broach Fine	232/36
Punjab/American	232/40
Sind, N T.	295/305
Punjab 289 F.	315/20
Jagadia-Ankleshwar	280/95
Kim-Kosamba	285/87
Surat	288/92
Navsari	300/02
Kampala	420/22

Indian Cotton Figures

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

Bombay, April 27.

	2 days	This year.
In full-pressed Bales.		
Since 1st Sept.		
Khandesh	...	203,066
Central India	...	319,978
Barsi and Nagar	159	165,555
Hyderabad-Gaorani	184	95,406
Berar	1,580	542,515
Central Provinces	72	111,127
Total Oomras	1,995	1,437,647
Dholera	2,566	83,968
N.-W. Provinces	...	9,174
Rajputana	150	80,239
Sind-Punjab	952	304,118
Broach	2,783	287,103
Coompta and Dharwar	1,383	33,704
Westerns-Northerns	54	28,171
Cocoanada	...	136
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	323	7,376
Persian	...	14
American	635	9,926
Egyptian and African	3,864	257,305
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	...	22
Total	15,709	2,538,998

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY.

1st Sept to 22nd April

	Yesterday	This year
In full-pressed Bales.		
Europe	105	364,761
Japan and China	207	1,079,571
Coast Ports	...	20,720
Up-country by Rail	...	193,586
Afloat in harbour for Europe China & Japan	...	16,201
Total	312	1,674,339

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 26th April 10,078 bales
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1936 2,523,199 bales
Receipts into Bombay same time last season 2,296,733 bales
Increase 226,466 bales

Produce Receipts

Bombay, April 27.

	Cwts.
Wheat	18,836
Linseed	5,773
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	995
Gingellyseed	363
Poppyseed	37
Groundnuts	4,807
Castorseed	2,642
Rice	30,815
Myrabollams	1,079
Cottonseed	2,996
Gram	2,828
Joowar	1,845
Maize	30
Bajree	1,417
Indian Sugar	25,307
	Tons.
Coal	525

LINSEED OIL

London, April 26

Linseed Oil naked London per cwt
May sellers 29
Linseed Oil naked London per cwt
June August sellers 29/1 1/2

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, April 26

Spot Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) 8

Collapse Of American Commodities

Foreign Liquidation In Cotton

Severe Drop In Wall Street

BOMBAY, April 27.

FOR NO APPARENT REASON MOST MARKETS WERE UNSETTLED ON MONDAY.

ALL COMMODITY MARKETS COLLAPSED ON HEAVY SELLING. WALL STREET PRICES REGISTERED HUGE DROPS RANGING TO 5 DOLLARS; ON DETERMINED SELLING WAVE.

LARGE SHIPMENTS OF GOLD FROM RUSSIA ARE ON THE WAY. GOLD UNCERTAINTY AND FEARS OF BUSINESS OUTLOOK LESS FAVOURABLE CAUSE GENERAL LIQUIDATION.

lowing completion of May liquidation

The New York cotton market opened barely steady with a moderately active trading and then declined on lower Liverpool cables, weakness of other commodities and the stock market and local long liquidation with the demand chiefly limited to trade buying and covering.

Traders were generally awaiting the result of May notices which will be issued in New York to-day. Prices thereafter rallied partially on covering but renewed May liquidation. Foreign liquidation was in evidence which was influenced by general weakness of other markets.

Crop developments are thought good over the U. S. Cotton Belt and day to day weather continues favourable. There seems a feeling that the new crop is likely to be a bumper one and there is no disposition to buy. Generally during the early part of May cotton prices reach low levels and later on during following weeks the crop has to pass through some period of unfavourable weather. Thus buyers are inclined to await for lower levels.

The New York market opened at a decline of 17 points with May 13.36. There was scattered buying and prices improved 3 points from the opening level and May was quoted 13 11 which the lowest level. At this level there was heavy general foreign selling and prices declined 13 points from the highest level and May was quoted 12.98 which was the lowest level for the day. The market close at a decline of 27 to 18 points. Spot cotton prices declined 27 points at 13.58c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was easy under increased selling and closed at a decline of 20 to 25 points. Spot cotton prices declined 19 points at 13.36 c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 4 points with July 7.30. There was scattered foreign realising and local selling. Offtake was poor and business was small. Weakness of Egyptian cotton unsettled the market. There was long liquidation and hedging. The market closed at a decline of 14 to 12 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined " points at 7.43d per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton futures market was easy. Sakels futures declined 21 points and Uppers futures closed 30 to 4 points down with Spot cotton 24 points lower at 9.46d. per lb

ALEXANDRIA MARKET

Alexandria market was weak on extensive selling with a marked absence of any support. Sakels fututures declined 90 to 81 points and Ashmouni futures lost 47 to 49 points.

BOUNTY PAYMENTS

A Liverpool firm writes:—

"Mr. Wallace, the Secretary to the Department of Agriculture, is credited with a statement to the effect that a large acreage under cotton must be expected this season. This report is probably untrue, especially as the Soil Conservation Plan has been legalized for another 4 years.

"The attitude of the U. S. Government in only paying bounty cheques to the growers at the commencement of the present cultivation period, must be interpreted as an inflationary measure, for whereas had these cheques been paid at an earlier period the money would have been spent but with "Full Pockets." it is unlikely that the small Grower will break his agreement with the Government knowing only too well that a large acreage would reduce prices and also that his claim to any future bounty payment would be cancelled."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest 13.11 —14 (10-5 a.m.)
New York May lowest 12.98 —27 (2-58 p.m.)
Liverpool July highest 7.32 —02
Liverpool July lowest 7.20 —14

Messrs Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends

Liverpool: Small offtake. Weakness Egyptian and market's general liquidation. Bearish temporary.

Market eased on general tired long liquidation which uncovered stop-losses Bearish sentiment extending on favourable crop accounts and uncertainty regarding general trade outlook

Decline owing to general want of confidence and decline on the Stock Exchange. Large shipments of gold from Russia

New York: May liquidation, Wall Street and local selling influenced by weakness in other markets.

Do not recommend buying distant months.

Gold uncertainty and fears that business outlook is less favourable causing general liquidation. Demand from mills insufficient. Should have a reaction fol

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 26

May	12.98 —2
July	13.06 —18
October	12.78 —21
December	12.74—21
January	12.75 —22
March	12.81 —19
Middling Spot	13.58 —27

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, April 26

May	12.83 —25
July	12.95 —20
October	12.74 —25
Middling Spot	13.36 —19

NEW YORK

New York, April 26

11 A.M RANGES—

May	13.05/13.04
July	13.07/13.06
October	12.80/12.86

NOON CALL—

May	13.07
July	13.09
October	12.83

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, April 26

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	5 000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	5,000 bales
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, April 26

April	7.17 —14
May	7.16 —14
June	7.18 —11
July	7.20 —14
August	7.17 —11
September	7.15 —13
October	7.13 —12
November	7.07 —12
December	7.07 —12
January	7.08 —12
February	7.08 —12
March	7.08 —12
April	7.08 —12
Middling Spot	7 43 —09

10-12 a.m. quotations

July	7.30
October	7.21

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, April 26

April	10.93
May	11.00
July	11 12
September	11 27
F G F SPOT	11.77

INDIAN COTTON

Liverpool, April 26

BROACH—

Fully good (good staple)	6.02
Fine (good staple)	6.??
Superfine (good staple)	6.32

OOMRA—

Fine (No. 1 staple)	5.9?
Superfine (No. 1 staple)	6.07
Choice (No. 1 staple)	6.??

BENGAL—

Good	4.??
Fully good	5.06
Fine	5.?

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGES

London, April 26

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£70 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	£77 3/4
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£90
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£109 3/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£77 3/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£102 3/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	£103 3/4
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£111 3/8
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£110 3/8
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£15 1/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg.	£120
National Bank of India	£41 1/2
P and O Banking Corporation	£19 1/2

LONDON PRODUCE

London, April 26

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe May July sellers	47/9
Wheat Barletta Russo May June sellers	47/9
Wheat South Australian April sellers	46/9

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 26

T T London on:—	
New York	4.93.?0
Paris	11.28
Berlin	12.29
Madrid	nominal
Amsterdam	9.01 3/?
Brussels	29.21 1/2
Milan	93.67
Berne	21.57 1/2
Prague	141 50

LONDON DISCOUNT RATE

London, April 26

Bank bills 3 months market rate 9/16 per cent to 9/16 per cent
Bank bills 6 months market rate 11/16 per cent to 11/16 per cent
Fine trade bills 3 months market rate 2 per cent to 2 1/2 per cent
Fine trade bills 6 months market rate 2 1/2 per cent to 3 per cent
Interest day to day loan 1/2 per cent to 1/2 per cent
Interest 7 days' market loan 1/2 per cent

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, April 27.

Yesterday London gold prices remained unchanged at £7-0-5 1/2. London Paris Exchange rate was 16 points up at 111.28. Dollar sterling cross rate was quoted at 4.93 25/32. London silver prices declined 1/16d to 20 7/16d. Speculators sold with little India support Later on prices were unchanged with total lack of interest. New York silver prices were reduced 1/8c to 44 7/8 cents Montreal silver futures market was irregular and closed at decline of 15 points to a rise of 14 points. Shanghai T T on London was quoted 1-2 17/32 The local silver market was quiet with scattered selling. Prices opened at Rs. 50/4 and improved to Rs 50/5 but later under increased selling prices declined to Rs. 50/2. Gold market was also easy on increased selling.

Despite officials denials of any change in gold policy in foreign countries, large exports of gold from Russia are causing uneasiness The question of surplus gold needs solution while the outlook for silver continues discouraging. India is the only buyer and production is running at a high level. Quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	34 13 9
Chaitra	34 13 9
Vaishak	34 12 0

SILVER

Ready	52 0
Chaitra	50 0
Vaishak	52 11 0

Montreal Silver

Montreal, April 26

April	44.95 —15
May	45 05 plus 14
July	44.95 —

LONDON SILVER

London, April 26

Spot	20 5/16
Forward	20 3/8

LONDON GOLD

London, April 26

Gold Bars Fine per oz £7-0-9 1/2

LONDON METALS

London, April 26

Copper	£55 5 0
Lead	£23 0 0
Spelter	£23 10 0
Tin	£248 0 0

Irregular. Look for further consumer buying in near future and inclined favour purchases of copper at slightly lower levels.

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, April 27

London market—
Standard copper cash (buyers) £57-10-0
Standard copper 3 months £54-7-6
Electrolytic copper £64-10-0
Bombay market—
Yellow metal sheets Rs. 42-8-0
Copper sheets Rs. 54-8-0
Tone: Irregular.

Weather Over U. S. Cotton Belt

Liverpool, April 27

No precipitation, weather too cool in the entire Belt. Forecast Texas partly cloudy All Balance entire Belt generally fair.

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, April 27

The local market ruled easy to-day on increased selling influenced by easier Chicago and Liverpool advices There was increased selling with poor offtake.

Linseed May	7 15 3
Linseed September	8 3 9
Wheat May	5 10 0
Wheat September	5 9 9

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, April 26

Favourable Spring wheat crop news with Winnipeg advices caused heavy selling and dust storm reports were ignored. Tone was weak and closing quotations were as under:—

May	1.25 3/8 —4 7/8c
July	1.15 —3 1/4c.
October	1-12 1/2 —3 1/4c

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, April 26

May	110 5/8 —3 5/8d
July	108 5/8 —3 1/4d
October	99 1/2 —3 1/2d

Tone: Easy.

Winnipeg Wheat

Winnipeg, April 26

Absence of enquiry coupled with long liquidation declined wheat prices There is less disposition to buy. Closing quotations:—

May	127 1/2 —5
July	124 —5 1/8
October	172 7/8 —4 3/8

Groundnut And Seeds

Bombay, April 27

Groundnuts May	41 7
Groundnuts August	43 0
Castorseeds May	35 3 6
Castorseeds September	37 8 0
Cottonseed May	20 5 0
Cottonseed September	21 7 6

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, April 27

Ready Javas Rs. 13-10
Shipment April June Rs 4-14
Shipment July Sept Rs. 4-13
Shipment Oct Dec Rs. 4-13-6
Kesar Rs. 11-2
Saraya Rs. 10-12
Java Spot F 5.65

New York Sugar

New York, April 26

July 2.51 —1
September 2.51 —1
December 2.52 unchanged
January 2.45 —1

Extensive Unloading In Steel Shares

Heavy Decline In All Scrips

Market Demoralised And Nervous

BOMBAY, April 27.

Following unfavourable London and New York advices, the local Share Bazar ruled very weak with extensive unloading by professional operators.

There was a marked absence of any support and occasional rallies met heavy selling pressure.

It appears that professional operators are divided into different groups and they are trying their level best to secure supremacy.

Outside operators are busy to find out due levels in terms of anticipated dividends on steel shares

But professional operators are getting their dividends every day and they seem to have no concern about dividend or the prospect of steel industry.

As pointed out before well informed members take a bullish view of the situation judging the prospective industrial situation. But our market is doing extensive speculative business and naturally big operators with their extensive resources defy all calculations.

The tone of the market was very bad to-day and if the selling continues at the present rate, one would not surprise to see substantial drop in the near future.

But this is problematic. It is the will and wish of operators, which weighs at the moment and opinions have no value.

Under the circumstances we believe that the market is becoming very dangerous and is subject to violent fluctuations either way.

There was some budlee business done to-day and Tata Steel Dfds. for the next settlement were quoted at a premium of Rs. 20 and Ordinary shares at Rs. 378. Towards the close there was some narrowing of premiums.

The whole list moved in sympathy with weakness in Tata Steel Shares. Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 1,525 and soon declined to Rs. 1,450. At this level there was some covering and prices advanced to Rs. 1,470. There was renewed selling and prices again eased off to Rs. 1,380 and with a slight recovery closed at Rs. 1,405. Tata Steel Ordinary shares were placed at Rs. 311. All shares on the forward list show declines and the tone of the market was nervous and unsettled.

Bombay Dyeing shares opened to-day at Rs. 917 and declined to Rs. 885 but rallied to Rs. 895. There was renewed selling and prices declined to Rs. 880. Century Mill shares opened at Rs. 205 and closed at Rs. 193. Kohinoor Mills, opened at Rs. 310 and declined to Rs. 301. New Great Mill shares which were keeping firm recently also declined to Rs. 227 after opening at Rs. 227.

Hydro-Electric shares also weakened Andhra shares opened at Rs. 1,660 and declined to Rs. 1,650 Tata Power shares opened at Rs. 1,505 and declined to Rs. 1487.

Cement shares were easy. Indian Cement shares opened at Rs. 547 and declined to Rs. 535. Shahabads opened at Rs. 510 and declined to Rs. 508.

Bombay Burma shares which were artificially manipulated yesterday also eased off to Rs. 662 after opening at Rs. 672.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, April 27

Century (206/4) 205 193 195 192 193
Bombay Dyeing (920) 917 885 895 880 885
Kohinoor (312/8) 310 302 301
Central India (297/8) 271 283 285 280
New Great (246/4) 242 226 227
Simplex (95/10) 90 91 89
Swadeshi (260) 256 247
Buridi (41/6) 41/4 41
I Cement (550) 547 535 536 535
Punjab (30/4) 30
Shahabad (522/8) 520 515 508
Andhra (1665) 1660 1650
Tata Hydro (180) 179/11
Tata Power (1508/12) 1505 1492 1487 1492 1487
Tram Ord (151/9) 150/15
T Steel Defd (1565) 1515 1460 1475 1450 1470 1410 1445 1390 1380 1405
T Steel Ord (336) 331 318 322 313 319 309 311 312
Tata Steel 2nd pref (179) 179 178/8 179
Bellapur (176/4) 175 172 173
B Steam (286/4) 285 282
B Burma (697/8) 672 665 675 662 660 657 660 662

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, April 27.

	Rs. as.
100 Ahm. Advance (Rs. 8)	322 8
250 BOM. DYEING (Rs. 25)	880 0
100 CENTURY	193 12
100 CEN. INDIA (Rs. 4)	280 0
100 COLABA (nil)	165 0
100 Coorla	107 8
250 David	75 0
250 Dawn (Rs. 10)	375 0
1 E. D Sassoon (nil)	0- 8-3
100 Finlay (Rs. 2-8)	137 8
100 GOKAK (Rs. 2-8)	213 12
1000 Hindustan (Rs 75)	1,725 0
100 Indore	46 4
100 Khatau (Rs 2)	100 0
100 KOHINOOR (Rs. 8)	301 4
250 Laxmi (Rs. 12-8)	620 0
250 Madras United	11 0
1,000 Morarji (nil)	1,100 0
250 Model	56 4
50 MYSORE (Rs. 3)	118 12
200 NEW GREAT (nil)	227 8
100 Oosmansnahi (Re 1)	55 4
100 Phoenix (10)	312 8
25 SASSOON SILK (Rs 2)	77 8
1000 Sholapur (Rs 50)	2,300 0
50 SIMPLEX (Rs. 1-2)	89 6
100 SWADESHI (Rs. 4)	247 8
100 Swan (nil)	115 0
500 Vishnu (Rs. 50)	1300 0
100 Western	805 0

BANKS.

50-100 Baroda (Rs 2-8)	109 4
25-50 Central (As 12)	34 10
500 Imperial (Rs 30)	1,525 0
125-500 I Conty (Rs 7-8)	373 12
50-100 India (Rs. 2-8)	137 8
100 Reserve Bank	129 4
5 Union (As. 4)	5 8

CEMENTS

100 Associated	166 0
10 BUNDI (As. 10)	40 10
100 Coimbatore (Rs 10)	221 4
70 Gwallor (Rs. 4)	135 0
160 INDIAN (Rs. 24)	535 0
10 Katni Def (Rs 83-8-0)	2350 0
100 KATNI ORD (Rs. 10)	395 0
75 Okha (Rs. 7)	309 6
10 PUNJAB (As. 12)	30 0
100 SHAHABAD (Rs. 15)	508 12
70 United (Rs. 5)	165 0

INSURANCE.

80-500 Empire (Rs 14)	1,155 0
15-100 Jupiter (As. 12)	15 0
15-75 New India (Rs. 1-4)	43 4
20 Mercantile	55 0
200 Oriental (125)	5,800 0
10-50 Universal Fire (As. 4)	5 7
10-50 Vulcan (As. 8)	7 11

ELECTRIC.

100 Ahmedabad Old (6)	170 0
1.000 ANDHRA VALLEY (45)	1650-0
10 Ajmer (As 4)	13 8
50 B'BAY TRAM (Rs. 2-8)	150-15
100 Bom Suburban (Rs. 6)	190 0
10 Broach	14 4
100 Karachi (4)	267 8
100 Poona (4)	285 0
100 Surat (Rs. 6)	205 0
100 TATA HYDRO (Rs. 5)	179-11
1000 TATA POWER (Rs. 40)	1487-8

RAILWAYS

500 Ahmedabad Prantij	905-0
100 C. Province	94 3
100 Dhond Baramati	102 0
100 Gujarat	92 0
100 Mandra Bhon	97 8
100 Pachora Jamner	97 0
100 Sara Sirajgunje	101 0
500 Tapti Valley	763 12

MININGS

10 SHIVARAJPUR (As. 8)	55-0
30 TATA STEEL DEF (Rs. 7-8)	1405-0
75 TATA STEEL ORD. (Rs. 6).	312-0

MISCELLANEOUS.

100 Alcock (Rs. 5)	287-8
50 B. Sugar (Rs. 7)	173-12
200 B'bay Safe Dep. (Rs. 40)	900 0
250 B Steam (Rs. 15)	282-8
125 B Burma (Rs. 12-9)	662-8
50 Do. Contry. (Rs. 6)	220 0
8sh. Br. B. Petrol (nil)	5-15
50 B. TELEPHONE (Re. 1-8)	115-8
9 Burma Corp. (As. 8)	11-5
2sh. Indian Copper	3-6
10 Indian I. and Steel	42-8
100 I. BLEACHING (Rs.4)	XD 146-4
50 I. Invest Trust (Rs. 2)	49-0
100 I. Radio Defd (12)	650 0
100 I. Radio Ord. (15)	530 0
1.000 Port Canning (Rs 25)	616 4
15 Scindia	25-14
30 Premier Con.	95-0
25 Tata Oil (nil)	22-0

PREFERENCE.

7 p.c Andhra Valley	1550 0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	299 6
7 p.c. Bom. Tram (TF)	83-4
5 p.c Central India (T.F.)	537 8
7 p.c Katni. 1st	136 4
7 p.c Katni 2nd (T.F.)	146 4
7½ p.c. Punjab Cement	15 0

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, April 27

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52	98/14
3 per cent 1951/54	101/4
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	102/14
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash	94/14
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan	105/14
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	107
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	110/12
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60	117/16
5 per cent 1 A F Bonds	97
5 per cent 1939/44	105/8
5 per cent 1940/43	108/4
5 1/2 per cent 1938/40 Loan	104/14

TAX FREES

5 per cent 1945/55	119/13
4 per cent 1953/63	111/8
5 1/2 per cent 1938 Mysore	104/12
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	124

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P	974 107
4 per cent M Deb 1974	106/8
3 per cent M Deb 1959	117
3 per cent 1954	129
6 per cent K P T 1956	129
6 1/2 per cent B I T 1937	101/8

The local market ruled firm to-day 3 1/2 per cent Government paper opened to-day at Rs. 94/7/6 and improved to Rs. 94/15.

MONEY AND EXCHANGES

Bombay, April 27

B. C. RATES—	
T T D D	1/6 1/16
LONDON—	
Banks selling T T D D	1/6 3/32
Banks buying T T	1/6 5/32
Banks buying D D	1/6 3/16
Bank, buying 3 mos.	1/6 7/32
NEW YORK—	
B C Rate T T	271 1/4
Banks selling T T	269 1/4
Banks buying T T	267
PARIS—	
Banks selling T T	633
Banks buying T T	848
JAPAN—	
Banks selling T T (1/8 lower from June)	77
Banks buying T T	77
AMSTERDAM—	
Banks selling D D	67 1/2
JAVA—	
Banks selling D D	67 1/4
HONGKONG—	
Banks selling D D	83 3/8
SHANGHAI	
Banks selling D D	81
SINGAPORE—	
Banks selling D D	156 1/4
BERLIN—	
Banks selling D D	91 1/4
CROSS RATE—	
New York/London 26th instant	4.93.75
Japan/London— 27th instant	1/2
Hongkong/London— 27th instant	1/3
Shanghai/London— 27th instant	1/2 1/2
Java/London— 27th instant	8.99
London/Paris 26th instant	111.28
London/Belgium 26th instant	29.21 1/2
London/Switzerland 26th instant	21.57 1/2
London/Berlin 26th instant	12.28
London/Stockholm 26th instant	19.39 3/4
London/New York 26th instant	4.93.70
London/Amsterdam 26th instant	9.01 3/8
London/Italy 26th instant	93.67
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—	Quiet.
Gold— 24th instant	£7-0-9 1/2
26th instant	£7-0-9 1/2
Silver London Ready— 24th instant	20 3/8
26th instant	20 5/16
Silver London Forward— 24th instant	20 7/16
26th instant	20 3/8
Silver New York Ready 24th instant	45
26th instant	45
London Discounts 3 Months 24th instant	9/16 p.c.
26th instant	9/16 p.c.
London Discounts 6 Months 24th instant	11/16 p.c.
26th instant	11/16 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate	3 p.c.
Bank of England Rate	2 p.c.
Money:—Call	1 p.c.
3 months	1 1/4 p.c.
6 months	1 1/4 p.c.
Tone: Quiet.	

Indian Sterling Loans

London, April 26

Call Loan London 1/2
3 per cent 77 3/4
3 1/2 per cent 90
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59 102 1/2
4 per cent 1948/53 106 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 109 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 114
5 per cent 1942/47 112 1/2
3 per cent 1949/52 97 1/2
2 1/2 per cent British Consols 77 9/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion 102 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan 83 3/4

LOND N SEEDS

London, April 26

Linseed La Plata Hull C.I.F
April sellers £13-2-6
Linseed Calcutta London C.I.F
April May sellers £14-16-3
Linseed Bombay London C.I.F
April May sellers £15-12-6
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont C I F.
April May sellers £15-0-3
Castorseed Bombay Hull C.I.F
April May sellers £14-7-6

LONDON RUBBER

London, April 26

Smoked Sheet Standard Ribbed per lb
Sellers 10 15/16

6-1/4 p.c Prem Const 1st	104 8
6 1/4 p.c Prem Const. 2nd	100 0
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	150 0
7-1/2 p.c Tata Power	1550 0
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st.	200 0
7-1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	178-8
7 p.c Vishnu	692 8

DEBENTURES.

3-3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	101 0
6 p.c Andhra Valley	110 0
4 p.c Bom Telephone	51 4
7 p.c. Sholapur	80 12
6 p.c Tata Hydro	110 0

(Last Dividend in Brackets and Capital letters indicate shares on forward list.)

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Jawahar's Assurance To Muslims

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CONGRESS & IMPERIALISM

Carrying Congress Message To Muslims, No New Programme

ALLAHABAD, April 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has issued the following statement through the United Press on the problem of increasing the Muslim element in the Congress:—

"For various reasons the problem of increasing the Muslim element in the Congress has recently received considerable attention. This has been so both on the side of prominent Congressmen, Hindu and Muslim alike, and on the part of others who, though sympathetic, have hesitated to join the Congress. There is no doubt about it that Muslim India is in a state of ferment to-day. The Muslim masses inevitably think more and more in terms of common economic problems and common burdens together with others. As a reaction to these new currents certain prominent Muslims, connected with communal organisations, have tried to dissuade Muslims from joining the Congress and have even hinted at dire consequences and catastrophes if this should happen.

I have no desire to enter into these controversies which tend to become personal and in which irrelevant issues are often raised. It is not therefore with a view to controversy that I issue this statement, but I do feel that clarity of ideas is desirable and the Congress position should be clearly understood I find that even Congressmen sometimes fail to appreciate this and talk in terms of pacts and compromise with Muslims or other religious groups.

The Congress is a political organisation dealing also inevitably with economic problems for these problems affect the masses of India more than anything else. The objective of the Congress is political independence, that is, the capture of power by the people of India, irrespective of their religion. Every Indian of the hundreds of millions who inhabit this country must be a sharer in this power and must benefit by the new order that we strive for. For ultimately it is this order, which removes our crushing poverty and unemployment, which we work for.

Subjection and poverty are the common lot of Indians whatever their religion might be; freedom and economic and cultural betterment must also be the common lot of all of us. In the struggle to obtain this the Congress offers a common platform to all, and because it thinks in terms of the masses and their betterment, it goes to them, organises them, advises them seeks strength and guidance from them.

ATTITUDE TOWARDS RELIGION

The Congress, being a political organisation, does not concern itself with religion or connected matters. But religion and culture being important matters in the life of many individuals, it is right that they should want to know how these are viewed by the Congress. Therefore the Congress declared at Karachi and subsequently, in the clearest language, that the fundamental and basic right of all Indians must contain provisions for the free exercise of religion, for freedom of conscience, for the protection of the culture, language and script of minorities, and further that all citizens whatever their religion or caste or sex were equal before the law and in regard to public employment, office, trade or calling. The franchise must be on the basis of universal adult suffrage.

BASIS OF POLICY.

This assurance has been repeated in the Congress Election Manifesto and is the basis of all Congress policy. It applies to all majorities and minorities alike and it is unthinkable that the Congress will even vary it.

COMMON POLITICAL PROGRAMME.

Having given this solemn assurance, the Congress has nothing further to do with religious or cultural matters and it pursues its political struggle

In this political struggle it has gained great power because millions of people have sided with it, approved of its programme, and looked to it for deliverance from their thraldom and misery. That programme was a common programme for all Indians whatever their religious persuasions may be.

The development of the nationalist movement has crystallised power in two opposing ranks and we have in India to-day two dominating forces; Congress India, representing Indian Nationalism and British Imperialism. I have often been made to say in the public press owing to a mistranslation, that there were only two parties in India. That is manifestly wrong for there may be, and are, any number of parties, big and small important or confined to a handful. But what I have said and what I think is true, is that there are two principal forces in India to-day, that of the Congress and that of Imperialism. Others incline during a crisis towards the one or the other, or are mere lookers-on and do not count.

We have had big crises and conflicts in the past and, as is the way with nations and communities, we have gained strength and self-reliance thereby. Out of the fiery furnace of a nation's suffering and conflict, the Congress has stilled itself and risen higher and higher strong in the love and strength of our millions. Those who kept out of it and relied on the feeble strength of an alien and vanishing government, remained themselves feeble, without self-reliance or strength, unable to charge themselves with the energy of a nation on the move.

Not By Mere Numbers

Strength does not come to a nation or a community from mere numbers or special seats in the legislatures, or protection given by outsiders. It comes from within and from the co-operation and goodwill of comrades in a common cause. The minorities in India will not flourish by being spoon-fed from above but by their own merits and strength.

Can any one imagine that any majority in India can crush the brave Sikhs, small as they are in numbers? Only a lunatic can think that the Muslims can be dominated and coerced by any religious majority in India.

The time has gone by when religious groups as such can take part in political or economic struggle. That may have been the case in mediaeval times. It is inconceivable to-day; the lines of cleavage are different, they are economic. Therefore, to think in terms of communal groups functioning politically is to think in terms of mediaevalism. And this is the reason why communal groups in India failed so dismally in the political field; they have and can have no common political or economic policy; they split up and are usually dominated by reactionaries.

Having no inner strength they look inevitably to favours from the imperialist masters. And what are these favours? A few State jobs, a few seats in legislatures. How does this affect the hunger of the millions or the unemployment of vast numbers?

Realisation of this coming slowly to those who hoped for relief from their communal leaders and so they are turning more and more to the Congress and thinking in terms of political and economic power.

NO NEW PROGRAMME.

We talk of approaching the Muslim masses. That is no new programme for us although the stress may be new. That is part of our principal programme of developing increasing contact with the masses, whether they are Hindu or Muslim or Sikh or Christian or any others. The religion of all these is their personal matter which the Congress guarantees But we think of them not as religious units but as suffering units of the hungry Indian masses who cry aloud for succour.

It must be remembered that the Congress has always had large numbers of Muslims in its fold, and larger numbers have sympathised with its activities. Some of the most eminent of our national leaders have been and are Muslims. But it is true that the Muslim masses have been largely neglected by us in recent years. We want to repair that omission and carry the message of the Congress to them. Why do others object to this? If they disagree with the political or economic policy of the Congress, they are at perfect liberty to place their policy before the masses. But it is through the masses that the appeal must be made.

SOLUTION FROM BELOW.

This is the important appeal to the masses. Our problems cannot be solved, we hold by a few people at the top. And that is why we have lost faith in the old-style All Parties conference in a few persons representing communal organisations with no common political background, meeting together and discussing and quarrelling. We have had enough experience of these in the past and that experience does not call for repetition.

We are of course always willing to discuss our problems with all who earnestly desire their solution, whether they agree with us or not. But the way to a solution is not through a so-called All-Parties Conference.

Those who talk of the Congress entering into a pact or alliance with Muslims or others fail to understand the Congress or the new forces that are moving our

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Titaghur Conspiracy Case Judgment

Heavy Sentences For 17 Accused: 12 Acquitted

CALCUTTA, April 27.

A special tribunal composed of Mr. H. G. S. Bivar, E. J. S., (President), Mr. K. C. Das Gupta, I.C.S., and Rai Bahadur N. K. Bose, Deputy Magistrate (Members) delivered judgment this morning in what is known as the Titaghur Terrorist Conspiracy Case convicting 17 accused to various terms and acquitting 12 persons.

Of those convicted, Purnananda Das Gupta was sentenced to transportation for life on charges of conspiracy to wage a war against the King and possession of explosives; Prafulla Sen to 12 years' rigorous imprisonment; Shyam Benod Pal Choudhury to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment on charges of conspiracy to wage war and possession of explosives and a pistol; Deva Prasad Sen Gupta to 8 years' rigorous imprisonment; Niranjan Ghosal to seven years'; Deva Prasad Banerjee and another to 4 years' each; Miss Parul Mukherjee and two others to 3 years' rigorous each; Sudhanshu Bimal Dutta to three years' detention in Borstal School; Kartic Senapati and five others to five years' rigorous imprisonment each (all on charges of conspiracy).

The trial started on November 18, 1935 and 504 witnesses were examined in this case. More than 2,000 exhibits were filed in the case.—United Press.

AS SHE LIKES IT NOW

April 27 (Tuesday.)

To-day, April 27th, Mrs Simpson's decree nisi will become absolute, the only intervention entered by one Francis Stephenson, a managing clerk in a firm of London Lawyers, having been recently dismissed.

From to-day onwards, Mrs. Wallis Simpson is free to enter into a fresh marriage with any one she chooses.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON TEA ESTATE MANAGER

Sequel To Altercation?

SILCHAR, April 26.

Information has been received here that Mr. J. Sinclair, Assistant Manager of the Sindura Tea Estate, about 20 miles from the town, was assaulted by a number of coolies following an altercation.

It is stated that the coolies invaded the office room after an argument and attacked him in a body. Mr. Sinclair received a number of injuries.

The Superintendent of Police arrived later with an armed force and arrested eight persons.—A. P.

REVISION OF LAND REVENUE SYSTEM

Ex-Governor To Preside Over Madras Committee

OOTACAMUND, April 26.

Sir Norman Marjoribanks, former Revenue Member, who has also acted as Governor of Madras, will be Chairman of the Committee to be appointed by the Madras Government to go into the question of the Land Revenue system in the province with a view to its revision.

The names of the six other members will be announced later. A. P.

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formed even before the detailed enquiry commenced.

VITAL DIFFERENCE.

We find there is a vital difference of opinion on the question of interpretation of the terms of reference. This erroneous interpretation excludes the possibility of our putting evidence to substantiate the allegations made by Mr. Giri on the floor of the Assembly.

Under the circumstances we feel that no useful purpose will be served by the Union taking part in the enquiry.—A. P.

Govt. Kept In Dark On Facts Of Situation

Vital Differences On Terms Of Reference, Says Giri On B. N. Ry. Enquiry

KHARAGPUR, April 26.

Mr. V. V. Giri, Mr. Ramchandra Rao, Mr. Kalappa and Mr. Ramalingam have issued a joint statement in regard to their refusal to participate in the B. N. R. enquiry in the course of which they say:—

"After careful study of the order of the Enquiry Officer on April, 23, we regret that we cannot accept his conclusion that the terms offered by the Agent of the B. N. R. on February 2, had not an integral connection with those offered on January 22 1937 and that the offer of the terms on January 22, 1937 closed on January 28, 1937.

The Original terms of January 22 were arrived at as a result of intervention by members of the Government of India, and the material modifications of items one and two of the terms of January 22 in paragraph two and three of the note of the terms of February 6, were also brought about by their intervention.

By the enquiry officers upholding of the contention of Mr. Jarrad that the original offer of January 22 closed on January 28 the Government members are liable to be accused in the public eye of having allowed the negotiations through them to be prolonged beyond the time limit, which we have every reason to believe was never intended by them.

GIRI'S LETTER.

Sir Guthrie Russell, the Chief Commissioner of Railways, received Mr. Giri's letter of January 26 and assured a reply on the evening of January 26. Unfortunately he was suddenly taken ill and confined to bed on January 27 and 28.

If Mr. Jarrad raises the contention that the original offer of January 22 closed on January 28, the only inference that can be drawn is that he deliberately kept the Government of India in the dark as regards his intentions in unduly prolonging the negotiations beyond January 28, and wished to catch the union in a trap as its president, Mr Giri, replied on the assurances of Government members.

It cannot be understood such a contention as his is made and upheld when as a result of his ignoring the Union in his special notification to the staff on January 17 contact with him could only be brought about through the Government of India, and when on January 26, two days before the time limit, Mr. Giri assured the Chief Commissioner of Railways in writing that he accepted all the terms except items one and two, to certain aspects of which he objected, and when the same was evidently communicated by the Chief Commissioner to the Agent as he expected a reply by the evening

JARRAD'S RESPONSIBILITY.

The expiry of the time it was entirely due to the delay of the Agent in replying to the Chief Commissioner's communication and thus the responsibility is Mr. Jarrad's, and if he contends now that the offer of terms of January 22 closed on January 28, the only inference is either that he must have deliberately prolonged the negotiations through the Government with this ulterior motive or that this is an after-thought.

We presented the following arguments in writing, (1) that in the letter of Mr. Giri to the Chief Commissioner of Railways the terms offered by the Agent in January were accepted with the exception of items one and two: (2) that in item one the union insisted on all eleven hundred being reinstated without exception and in item two the union could not agree that the Agent should exercise the right of deciding the number of strikers whom he should re-employ.

(3) That the contested portions of items 1 and 2 were to this extent only. (4) that the agent modified said items 1 and 2 in paragraph 2 and 3 of his note sent with his letter dated February 6. (5) that in paragraph 3 of this said letter dated February 6 the Agent specifically mentioned that the only material modifications of the terms originally offered to Mr. Giri were contained in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the note, that the originally offered terms were those of January 22, and modifications are understood to be with reference to objections raised in the letter referred to. (6) that had the Agent intended that his note sent with his letter dated February 6 indicated fresh terms, there was no need for paragraph 3 of his said letter and it would have ended with paragraph 2.

(7) That the changes in the note noticed and considered as intended by the Agent to be immaterial are paragraphs 5 and 8 of the note, (8) that the said paragraphs 5 and 8 have no terms in them but are only an explanatory record of his opinions with the addition of a proposal in paragraph five that the question of short time be investigated by a small and independent committee appointed by the Government.

TO GIVE UP RIGHT.

Consequently it will be understood that in the matter of short time he proposes to give up his right of being one of the Enquiry Committee officers, while holding that if the Agent intended to modify only items 1 and 2 he would have said so explicitly in his letter of February 6 which entirely omits investigation of other six aspects, that if the Agent had intended to treat the original offer of January 22 as terminated on January 28 he did not explicitly say so, and finding out what he meant in his letter of January 26 to the Chief Commissioner of Railways by stating he had enclosed a note to the final terms and by explicitly writing "I may add that the only material modifications of the terms originally offered to you are contained in paras two and three of the note."

WE ARE SURPRISED.

Under the circumstances we are surprised that the contention of Mr. Jarrad was upheld by the Enquiry Officer in his order. The procedure should have been in the first instance to summon the parties before him and ask them to file documents.

Thereafter he should have asked the parties to state the facts, then direct them to lead evidence on the issues and thus discharge the burden of proof imposed on them, and hear arguments, finally. But the procedure adopted by the enquiry officer was not on these definite lines.

Certain paras of the order show that the enquiry officer was unable to distinguish between ordinary leave on loss of pay and the strike period treated as leave on loss of pay to prevent a break in the service on account of the strike. He makes statements in the order which we strongly feel to show that his opinions were

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